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## FENGTIEN ARMY'S BIG REVERSE.

### IMPORTANT HANKOW VICTORY.

### FENGTIEN POSITION NOW PERILOUS.

### MARSHAL CHIANG CONTINUES TO ADVANCE.

### VERY HEAVY CASUALTIES.

The important and outstanding feature of the news to-day regarding the fighting in the North is that the Hankow forces, operating against the Fengtien army, have scored a most decisive victory, compelling a general retreat to the Yellow River. With the Fengtien army threatened by Feng Yu-hsiang from the north-west, by the Hankow forces from the south, and having the forces of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek on their left flank, they are now in a very perilous position.

Meanwhile, reports from Hankow continue to assert that the Southerners are suffering heavy casualties, indicating the severity of the recent fighting. Apparently, Hankow is beating off the threat from Fengtien, but it is stated that General Yang Sen, from the west, is again on the move against Hankow, and making rapid progress.

Marshal Chiang Kai-shek's forces, operating to the North of Pukow, continue to make an almost unchecked advance and have now captured Kuo-yu. There are big troop movements in progress.

Reports from all over China indicate that yesterday's celebrations of the anniversary of the Shanghai Incident passed off quietly. At Shanghai there were a few minor disturbances. In connexion with the firing on British yachts an apology and the punishment of the culprits has been demanded.

## APOLOGY DEMANDED AT SHANGHAI.

Shanghai, May 30. According to news from reliable sources, the recent report of a heavy Southern defeat in Honan is untrue. On the contrary, the Southern advance through Honan to the North appears to be progressing, although at considerable cost, as the continued arrival of many wounded at Hankow testifies, while Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang is reported to have captured Kungshien, an important Northern arsenal close to the Yellow River, 40 miles west of Chengchow.

There is a heavy censorship at Peking.—*Reuter.*

#### Fengtien Failure.

Shanghai, May 31. Reuter learns reliably that the Fengtien attack in Honan, launched on May 26, has been a complete failure. The Southerners counter-attacked on May 28, and by menacing the flanks compelled a general retreat to the Yellow River. The right wing retreated in comparatively good order, but the left wing was almost routed.

The problem now confronting the Fengtien leaders is whether it is possible, and if so whether it would be wise, to attempt to make a stand on the Honan side of the Yellow River.

#### May be Cut Off.

It is understood the Southerners aim at cutting off a large portion of the Fengtien army. With Feng Yu-hsiang advancing eastward along the Yellow River and along the Peking-Hankow railway, if not already astride it, and with Yen Hsi-shan, the Tsuchun of Shansi, hitherto neutral, but undoubtedly waiting with his army just north of the Yellow River, the Fengtien position is perilous.

It is the knowledge of this situation, and its serious complications, that has prompted the decision to despatch Japanese and British troops to North China.—*Reuter.*

#### Progress Northward.

Shanghai, May 30. Reliable reports state that the Southerners are steadily progressing northward. The Northerners are stated to have suffered a heavy defeat at Chengchow, where they are reported to be retreating north of the Yellow River.—*Naval Wireless.*

#### South's Heavy Losses.

Hankow, May 30. The Southern casualties on the Honan front are extremely heavy. It is now confirmed, these being estimated at something like 10,000. The 4th, 8th, and 36th armies are stated to have been badly cut up in the recent battles.—*Naval Wireless.*

#### NATIONALIST ADVANCE.

Continues Almost Unchecked.

Nanking, May 30. Marshal Chiang Kai-shek crossed to Pukow on Saturday, and it is understood that he is going to the front personally to conduct operations. The Nationalist advance continues practically unchecked and Pengpu is reported to have fallen into their hands.

At Pengpu, the Southerners captured a large quantity of locomotives and rolling stock.—*Naval Wireless.*

#### Quiet at Wuhu.

Wuhu, May 30. There is nothing to report, the situation is quiet and there have been no anti-British demonstrations of late.—*Naval Wireless.*

#### Slight Set-Back.

Chinkiang, May 30. It is reported that after receiving a slight set-back in a Northern counter-attack, the Southerners have once again captured along the Yellow River and along the Peking-Hankow railway. It is confirmed that Lo Yen Hsi-shan, the Tsuchun of Shansi, hitherto neutral, but undoubtedly waiting with his army just north of the Yellow River, the Fengtien position is perilous.

#### BIG TROOP MOVEMENTS.

French Steamers Commandeered.

Ichang, May 30. All anti-foreign feeling appears to have died a natural death, and the situation is quiet. H.M.S. Gnat and H.M.S. Kiawo are experiencing no difficulties in obtaining necessary supplies from shore.

A number of steamers flying the French flag have been commandeered by the military for use as transports, and troop movements on a large scale are taking place. The majority of the troops are being sent down river.—*Naval Wireless.*

#### YANG SEN'S ADVANCE.

Rapid Progress Down River.

Shashi, May 30. General Yang Sen's troops are once again moving towards Hankow and rapid progress down river is being made. Yang Sen's advance guard has already reached Sinti, a point within 150 miles of Hanyang.—*Naval Wireless.*

#### Changsha Still Unsettled.

Changsha, May 30. Although ostensibly the anti-Reds have control of the city, very unsettled conditions prevail, and there may be Communist disturbances in the near future. The railway line at Wuchang has not yet been repaired.—*Naval Wireless.*

#### HANKOW PROPAGANDA.

Anti-British and Anti-Chiang.

Hankow, May 30. The Russian chief, Borodin, although reported to have returned to Hankow, has not actually been seen, but it is significant that propaganda against the British and Marshal Chiang Kai-shek has been revived vigorously, and that a new batch of anti-British and anti-Chiang posters are being displayed all over the city.

The May 30th anniversary passed off comparatively quietly, although large meetings were held, and anti-imperialist and anti-British speeches were made.—*Naval Wireless.*

#### SHOTS AT YACHTS.

Apology and Punishment.

Shanghai, May 30. The anniversary of the Nanking Road Incident passed off with but few minor disturbances in spite of the large number of demonstrations and processions.

During the afternoon of the 29th, several small yachts were fired at by snipers from the shore near Kiangnan Arsenal in spite of the fact that permission had previously been obtained.

H.M.S. Keppel was ordered to the scene and has anchored off the neighbourhood. The Chinese Commissioner for Foreign Affairs has given a promise to the British Consul General that he will obtain an answer to the demand for an apology, and will secure punishment of the culprits.—*Naval Wireless.*

#### DEMONSTRATION AT AMOY.

No Untoward Incident.

Amoy, May 30. A demonstration and procession in commemoration of the Shanghai affair on 1925 was held in Amoy and Kulangsu to-day, but the action of the authorities prevented any untoward incident, and the demonstrators dispersed quietly at the end of the proceedings.

Admiral Lin sent Police to prevent the demonstrators from crossing to the foreign settlement, and the presence of a picket of the Chinese Guilds on the jetty, also served to lessen the prospects of trouble.—*Naval Wireless.*

#### REDS BEHEADED.

Yang Sen's Measures.

A number of communists, including women, were decapitated by General Yang Sen, during his drive down the river on Changsha, according to information received in Shanghai recently. It is understood that Yang Sen has an army of twenty-five thousand men.

The Hankow Government has been scouring the Wu-Han cities for troops, rushing raw recruits to the Northern front, and forcing the unions to furnish men. Many men refused to serve and their union chiefs promptly decapitated them. The temper of the workers is uncertain and feeling against the Hankow Government is growing.

#### HOW HANKOW IS PARALYSED.

Paper Currency Farce.

The weekly circular of the British Chamber of Commerce says:

Finance and General.—In this Chamber's last report it was stated that on the 11th the irredeemable notes of the Nationalist Government were at a discount of 13 (Continued on Page 14.)

## HARD LABOUR FOR A WARDER.

### USED FORGED LETTER FOR EXTORTION.

#### CONVICT'S WIFE VICTIM.

How an Indian warder stationed at Laichikok Prison used his official position to obtain money by false pretences, was related this morning at the Central Police Court.

Ghulam Hussain was charged with smuggling a letter out of the prison, contrary to the rules of prison discipline, and he was further charged with obtaining a sum of \$15 from a convict's wife through the production of this letter, which was forged to give the impression that it had emanated from the convict.

It was shown that with the collusion of a second convict, defendant was enabled to locate the woman at her home at Pokfulam Road and to inform her through the forged letter that her husband was in need of money to pay for extra rations, as he was being underfed. By dint of scraping together, the woman was able to pay this sum in two instalments, but was eventually deceived. She called in the police, and when the defendant was arrested, said that the Indian had come to her with his face almost wrapped up in his turban, leaving only his two eyes exposed.

In a statement in Court, defendant said that the case was the other way about. The woman wanted money from him and she trumped up the charges in order to retain the balance on a \$100 bill he gave her.

"I hope your worship will do justice," he added.

Mr. E. W. Hamilton: I trust I shall. You are convicted on both charges. It is absolutely clear that you are guilty of attempting in conjunction with another convict in the goal to defraud the family of a man serving a sentence in gaol. The first charge is a technical matter for which you will be fined \$50, or in default, one month. The second charge is more serious, and you have made it worse by using your official position to get money from these people. You will go to prison for six months with hard labour.

## CAPT. LINDBERGH ENTERTAINED.

#### A DINNER IN LONDON.

London, May 30. Captain Lindbergh was present at the Memorial Day service to the fallen, at St. Margaret's, Westminster, after which the American Ambassador placed a wreath on the Unknown Warrior's grave.

Subsequently Lindbergh was the guest of honour at a dinner given by the Association of American Correspondents in London, at the Savoy Hotel. The American Ambassador was also present.

Lindbergh found five sandwiches and a half gallon jar of water awaiting him on the table, a jocular reminder of his rations on the trans-Atlantic flight.

#### Gift of Irish Linen.

The Irish linen manufacturers have presented Lindbergh with Irish linen handkerchiefs for his own use and table linen for the use of his mother.—*Reuter.*

#### A Spanish Medal.

Madrid, May 30. The Spanish Government has decided to bestow on Lindbergh the "Plus Ultra" medal, created in commemoration of Franco's trans-Atlantic flight.—*Reuter.*

#### Franco-American Sentiment.

Paris, May 30. President Coolidge has sent a message to President Doumergue saying that the magnificent reception given to Lindbergh in France has gone right to the heart of the American people, and proves conclusively that the community sentiment forged on the battlefields remains an unbreakable consecration of the past, and a guarantee of the future.—*Reuter.*

Professor C. Thereses and Miss M. Senour announce that they have terminated their engagement at the Cafe Parisien, but are prepared to give private dancing lessons.

## EGYPT'S CRISIS.

### BRITISH MEASURES EXPLAINED.

#### INTERESTS SAFEGUARDED.

London, May 30. It is stated in well-informed circles that the warships going to Egypt from Malta are being sent as an ordinary precautionary measure, such as has been taken on various occasions in the past.

It is pointed out that under the Declaration of 1922, Britain assumed responsibility for the protection of foreign lives and interests in Egypt, and the tone of the recent debates in the Egyptian Chamber indicates that the extremists are endeavouring to create an artificial situation of tension, while furthermore the recommendations of the Egyptian parliamentary war committee increase the possibility of the Egyptian army being used as a political weapon, and to undermine the position of the few remaining British officers. One recommendation aims at the abolition of the post of Sirdar.—*Reuter.*

#### A Note Presented.

Cairo, May 30. The Residency this evening presented the Premier, Sarwat Pasha, with a Note with regard to the re-organisation of the army.

The contents are hitherto not disclosed, but it is understood that the terms are firm but very friendly, and no time limit has been fixed for a reply.—*Reuter.*

#### To Maintain Our Rights.

London, May 31. The sudden crisis in Egypt is the chief news item in this morning's papers.

The Liberal Journal *Westminster Gazette* has a full-page headline, "British Authority Again Defied in Egypt," and says the British Government has despatched warships to Egypt for the purpose of showing the other Powers that Britain is ready and able to maintain the two reservations to the Declaration of Egyptian independence in 1922, namely the defence of foreigners and the protection of Egypt against aggression if the need arises.

The *Daily Mail* considers the despatch of British battleships a timely hint to the Egyptian Government. "It may help to convince them that we are not going to be driven out of Egypt,"—*Reuter.*

## INTERNATIONAL MINERS' BODY.

### SECRETARIAT TO BE AT BRUSSELS.

Paris, May 30. The Belgian, M. De Lathre, has been provisionally appointed to succeed Mr. Hodges at the International Miners' Secretariat, which is being transferred from London to Brussels.—*Reuter.*

## FRENCH NAVAL VISIT.

#### PORTSMOUTH'S WELCOME.

London, May 30. Thousands ashore and afloat at Portsmouth ovated the arrival of the French squadron of cruisers, commanded by Rear Admiral Piro, comprising eight of France's newest and fastest warships. This is the first official post-war visit by a foreign fleet to Portsmouth. An exhaustive programme of festivities has been arranged during the five days' visit.—*Reuter.*

## TRADES UNIONS BILL.

#### CLAUSE FIVE PASSED.

London, May 30. Under the guillotine, with some government drafting amendments the House of Commons, by 270 to 113, has adopted Clause 5 of the Trades Unions Bill, prohibiting Civil Servants from belonging to outside organisations dealing with their pay and conditions.—*Reuter.*

#### TO-DAY.

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## FATE OF MISSIONARY BAND.

### TREK TO INDO-CHINA FROM HUNAN.

#### NO NEWS YET RECEIVED.

The fate of 20 Catholic missionaries who have been lost in Hunan Province for more than a month remains unknown. It is presumed that they are continuing their efforts to reach Indo-China but communication is impossible throughout Southwestern Hunan and Kweichow as well as the hill country of Yunnan through which they are to pass, according to reports received in Shanghai from Hankow.

Washington has queried the American Consul General at Hankow and has advised him to make every effort to locate and to assist the missionaries, even offering financial assistance. A similar query in the hands of the Changsha American Consul, who is now in Hankow, has been answered to the effect that there has been no news as to the whereabouts of the refugees, and the Consul has pointed out the impossibility of reaching them by wire, post, or by courier under the present chaotic conditions in the interior which resemble America's wild-west days of forty-nine, though many times magnified by virtue of the constant civil strife and with the communistic and anti-foreign wave among the masses.

The missions would be the first to hear either by messenger or by post, but they had had no word since letters dated in the latter part of April. While there is no reason to believe that the missing missionaries have been harmed, since they all speak Chinese, fluently, there is so far no possible way to discover their fate.

## DE PINEDO'S LUCK.

### STRUGGLE WITH WIND AND FOG.

Horta, May 30.

Interviewed with regard to his descent into the Atlantic, de Pinado said he was compelled to fly at a high altitude owing to fog, and was further handicapped by a strong wind which caused him to use more petrol than he otherwise would have done. When 14 miles from Flores he sighted a Portuguese schooner and decided to descend hoping to be able to refuel at Flores, but the weather remained too rough.—*Reuter.*

An earlier message on Saturday stated that the machine was buffeted by heavy seas for three days, sustaining a damaged wing, before it was found possible to tow the plane into port.]

## BROADCASTING IN MALAYA.

### PROPOSED FORMATION OF LOCAL COMPANY.

Ipoh, May 29.

A company is being formed in Ipoh for broadcasting from Kuala Lumpur. The capital is \$400,000 and it is estimated that the most modern equipment will cost \$135,000. A site at Kuala Lumpur has been applied for.

It is intended to have daily programmes. The annual licence is \$20 and it is estimated that the upkeep will be \$150,000 annually.

Mr. Leslie Cant is the promoter.

## MALOLO REACHES PORT.

#### TOWED IN TO NEW YORK.

New York, May 30.

The s.s. Malolo has been towed in to the harbour.—*Reuter's American Service.*

[The new vessel Malolo, of 22,000 tons, collided on May 26 about 160 miles off New York, while on a trial run, with over 800 people on board, and was somewhat damaged.]

## ON INTERPORTS.

### PLEA FOR "SANITY IN SPORT."

#### OUTSPOKEN STRAITS VIEW.

The following leading article, headed "Sanity in Sport," is taken from Monday's *Straits Times*—

"In a farewell message to Ceylon cricketers our well-reported Governor elect made some remarks which are calculated to send a thrill of horror down the backs of managers of firms in this country. He alluded to the spacious days when he first knew Malaya and said it was then the custom for cricketing teams from the Straits Settlements and Malay States 'periodically to pay visits to Hongkong, Shanghai and Yokohama on the one side and to Ceylon on the other.'"

"I personally think," went on our administrator cheerfully, "that much would be gained by reviving this ancient practice, and when I arrive in Malaya I hope to sound the leading clubs with a view to ascertaining whether teams designed to play All Ceylon at every conceivable sport from pitch and toss to manslaughter cannot once more be formed and sent here." If he really means all this employers of young men who show prowess in various branches of sport may well view the coming of Sir Hugh with alarm. What does he then intend to do, this Governor? Sport is a splendid thing. There is nothing better for a young man after five o'clock on week-days, on Saturday afternoons and all day on holidays, and the Asiatic Petroleum Company may well be pleased for its young men to play Rugby Football and the Hongkong Bank take pride in the ability of its cricketers. But these and other firms do not keep large staffs for the purpose of providing teams to traipse round the East, playing games. For men in Government service we are unable to speak. Sir Hugh Clifford will be in a position to judge himself; and it may even be that directors of criminal intelligence and pillars of the Colonial Secretariat can quite frequently be spared from their arduous duties in order to tour Ceylon. In the matter of this vulgar pursuit of commerce this is a workaday age even in the magic East, and employers have a distressing habit of expecting a little work out of their young men in return for the salaries they are paid. How things were when Sir Hugh Clifford first knew Malaya we do not know, though we suspect that even then "bousteads" young men could not get away exactly as they as they wished in order to make a three or four weeks trip to Hongkong and back. It is true that Mr. Oliver Marks often refers complacently to the fact that he found a home in the Malayan Civil Service on account of his cricket, though no doubt it was not long before he proved his fitness for the role in other respects. Since those times it has grown continually harder to collect representative teams to make these tours. Whether it will be any easier under the distinguished aegis of a Governor remains to be seen, but we doubt if even Sir Hugh will be able to get together teams for all the sports which he threatens.

If he fails perhaps we shall not after all be such great losers. It is very nice to be able to say that Singapore has beaten Colombo at cricket, but the precise significance of the feat does not go very deep. It merely means that one set of men who happen to find employment in one town has beaten a set from another whose connexion with the place is also merely that of happening to work there—all very interesting but as flimsy an excuse for delirious excitement as when the Cardiff City team, most of whom happened to be Englishmen, won the football cup. In the case of the test matches between England and Australia the position is different. The Australian cricketers are products of their own country and to beat them is a matter for justifiable pride. It will always be a mystery to us how they are able to leave their work for several months at a time, in order to play cricket, seeing that the English system of teams composed of men of wealth and others who are frankly paid for their services is not in vogue there, but those who witness their doings can be well content with what they are. Australians themselves say it is a wonderful advertisement for the country, and no doubt it is. To this benevolent system we owe the fact that the people of Malaya are now able to see some of these supermen of the cricket field for

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## CHINA WAR.

### FENG YU-HSIANG'S VICTORY NOT CONFIRMED.

Shanghai, May 30.

The report of General Feng Yu-hsiang's capture of Loyang (Honan) is not confirmed. Hankow telegrams claim, however, that the Christian General arrived Loyang on the 24th and his vanguards have captured the Kunghsien Arsenal.

The Hankow forces also claim that under General Tang Sang-chi they have severely routed the combined force of Chang Tso-lin and Wu Pei-fu in Lin-yung, throwing them back to as far as Hsuehchang.

General Chin Yun-ao, head of the Wu Pei-fu forces who recently helped Hankow against the Feng-tienites, has returned to Yanchang and is now helping the Fengtien army against Hankow.

The Fengtien military leaders decided at a general conference in Peking yesterday to connect the front in Anhwei with that in Honan, so as to facilitate operations against the Southerners from Nanking and Hankow at the same time. All available troops in Kirin and Heilungkiang provinces will be concentrated in Chingchow within three days and then immediately come down southward to participate in the southern expedition. Three trainfuls of Fengtien troops are leaving by the Tientsin-Pukow railway to reinforce the Hsuehchow front.

The army of General Sha Tao-yan who recently threatened Wuchang, is turning southward to attack Changsha.—Wah Kiu Yat Po.

### Advance Continues.

Shanghai, May 30.

The absence of news from Fengtien headquarters at Peking about the Honan offensive is regarded as indicating it is not progressing too favourably.

Meanwhile the Southern advance through Anhwei continues, according to foreign wireless messages from Nanking, where it is reported Chiang Kai-shek's troops have captured Mingkwang, seventy miles from Pukow by railway, while another force, closing in from the West have taken Pengpu, 110 miles from Pukow by railway, capturing five locomotives and 200 wagons.

It is believed a Southern attack on the Suchow railway junction in North Kiangsu is imminent.

Chiang Kai-shek, accompanied by cinema photographers, crossed the Yangtze from Nanking on May 19, proceeding to the front.—Reuter.

### Troops for Peking.

Tokyo, May 30.

It is officially confirmed that the Government, in view of the unfavourable military situation for Fengtien in Honan is preparing to despatch additional troops from Manchuria to Peking and Tientsin at a moment's notice.—Reuter.

### Troops for Tientsin.

Shanghai, May 30.

Reuter understands that in view of the situation in Honan it has been decided to send at least a battalion of British troops to North China, probably Tientsin.—Reuter.

Shanghai, May 30.

The Second Border Regiment and H. M. S. Argus have been ordered to Weihaiwei to-day. Their possible ultimate destination is Tientsin.

General Duncan is leaving for Peking shortly to study the situation.—O. O. C.

## A SHANGHAI DIARY.

### WAR SITUATION GROWS IN INTEREST.

Shanghai, May 25.

The war situation grows in interest every day. Never perhaps since the days of the revolution has there been such a complicated position as now. The contenders for power seem numberless and the outlook so obscure that practical prophecy is an impossibility. I was in the office of a high military authority the other day. He had a large scale map of China on the wall with the various armies marked with coloured pins. There were ten different colours and he remarked that he could not keep track of several factions on the map because he couldn't find any other coloured pins to mark them with.

The phrase "A Chinese puzzle" will have a special significance henceforth. Marshal Chiang Kai-shek seems bent on confounding his critics. When he broke with Hankow they said he had sealed his doom, that he had no means of carrying on, that without his Russian advisers he was useless. There may have been a time when he was very dependent of these advisers but that time seems to have passed.

Chiang, I am in a position to say, will very soon have a far better Air Force than he possesses at present. He is wisely spending a good deal of money on this most effective phase of modern warfare and it should assist him considerably. He will have the assistance in this matter of a very experienced pilot who has as much as 2,400 flying hours to his credit, in a country which shall be nameless for the time being. Anyhow, a thing to watch in the near future will be Chiang's air force.

### In Honan.

In Honan the position is as obscure as anywhere in China. There we have General Teng Seng-chi, with every man Hankow can spare him, fighting a death struggle with Fengtien forces, Red Spears and factions of Wu Pei-fu. It is extraordinary that he should be doing this some 200 miles from Hankow while that city, or rather that part of Wuhan called Wuchang, is seriously threatened from the south and south-west by forces under General Hsia Tao-yan (an adherent of Chiang Kai-shek) and General Yang Sen. What, everyone asks, is Tang Seng-chi doing? Is he endeavouring to force a passage through to Shensi for the safe removal of the seat of Communist Government yet further, or is he off on his own? They are both probabilities and time alone will show if one or the other is true.

At the moment the Hankow Government controls precious little area, the Wuhan area, and it is essential that it gets somewhere where it can spread its cramped limbs again and draw in some revenue. Honan and Shensi with Feng Yu-hsiang co-operating would give the chance to recuperate that Hankow needs but Teng Seng-chi is a doubtful man to trust on the errand of forcing a passage through. He is by no means an ardent communist and whether he will kick the Hankow Government from under him and set up as Tschun of Honan remains to be seen. The next few weeks should be very interesting.

### Sun in Retreat.

Sun Chuan-fang, leader of the troops which have been driven from the North bank of the Yangtze near Chinkiang and which are retreating up the Grand Canal, is reported to be a prisoner of war. It appears that General Pei Shan, a subordinate of Sun, was offered command of the 36th National army by General Chiang Kai-shek and accepted it. He therefore turned on his old chief and had him arrested at Tain-kiangpu. Pei has been a bit of a mystery for some time and both North and South have been doubt-

## OBITUARY.

### A FORMER CHINESE OFFICIAL.

London, May 30.

The death is reported of Mr. Charles William Campbell.—Reuter.

Mr. Charles William Campbell, C.M.G., F.R.G.S., was born October 21, 1861. He was appointed student interpreter in China in 1884 and promoted to 2nd. class assistant in 1891, and 1st. class in 1897. From 1899 to 1900 he was H.B.M. Vice-Consul in Shanghai. From 1900 to 1901 he was acting Consul-General in Tientsin, and acting Chinese Secretary in Peking from 1901 to 1902 and 1905 to 1906. From 1903 to 1904 he was acting Consul General at Canton. He also served in the Consular service in Chengtu and Wuchow. He was appointed Chinese Secretary in Peking in 1906 serving in that capacity until 1911.

### Colonel Apsley Smith.

Colonel William Apsley Smith, C.B., C.M.G., late R.A., died at Ashdown House, Danes Hill, East Grinstead, at the age of 71. The eldest son of Mr. John Smith, of Britwell House, Oxen, he was born on March 11, 1856, and went to Eton in 1869, to Mr. A. C. James's house. He left in 1872 and passed into Woolwich, being commissioned in 1875. He served in the Egyptian War of 1882, being mentioned in dispatches and receiving the Medal of the Order. He passed the Staff College with honours in 1886, and was staff captain, S. E. District, from 1886 to 1888, and brigade major at Aldershot till 1891. From 1894 to 1896 he was Assistant Military Secretary to the G.O.C., Canada, and from 1896 to 1898 Special Service Officer at Headquarters.

In the South African War, 1899-1900, he was mentioned in dispatches, received the Queen's Medal with four clasps, and was made C.B. In the Russo-Japanese War in 1904-5 he served as Military Attaché and received the Japanese war medal and the Order of the Rising Sun. After service on the Ordnance Committee, he was appointed in 1903 Brigadier-General Commanding R. A. 3rd Division, and retired in 1909.

On the outbreak of the Great War he rejoined and was appointed A.Q.M.G., Eastern Command, and when he finally retired in 1918 he was made C.M.G. Colonel Apsley Smith married in 1885 Mary, daughter of the late General Sir John Aclay; her sister was the first wife of Lord Armstrong of Bangor and Cragside. He leaves one daughter.

### Chief Judge.

Last night I had the pleasure of meeting the new Chief Judge of the Provincial Court, Mr. Leo Hing-yuen. The occasion was a gathering of prominent Cantonese in Shanghai. Mr. Leo is a Cantonese—by birth, coming from a village in the San Mei district. A fellow villager of his, well known in Hongkong, Mr. Fung Tat-hang, was one of the party. The new Judge is comparatively young, speaks excellent English, has a charming manner and is well versed in English law. He is a British barrister, passing through the inner temple some ten years ago. He returned here from England during the war. On every side, foreign and Chinese, his appointment is welcomed and it is believed that the new Court will flourish in the interests of justice under the able direction of Mr. Leo.

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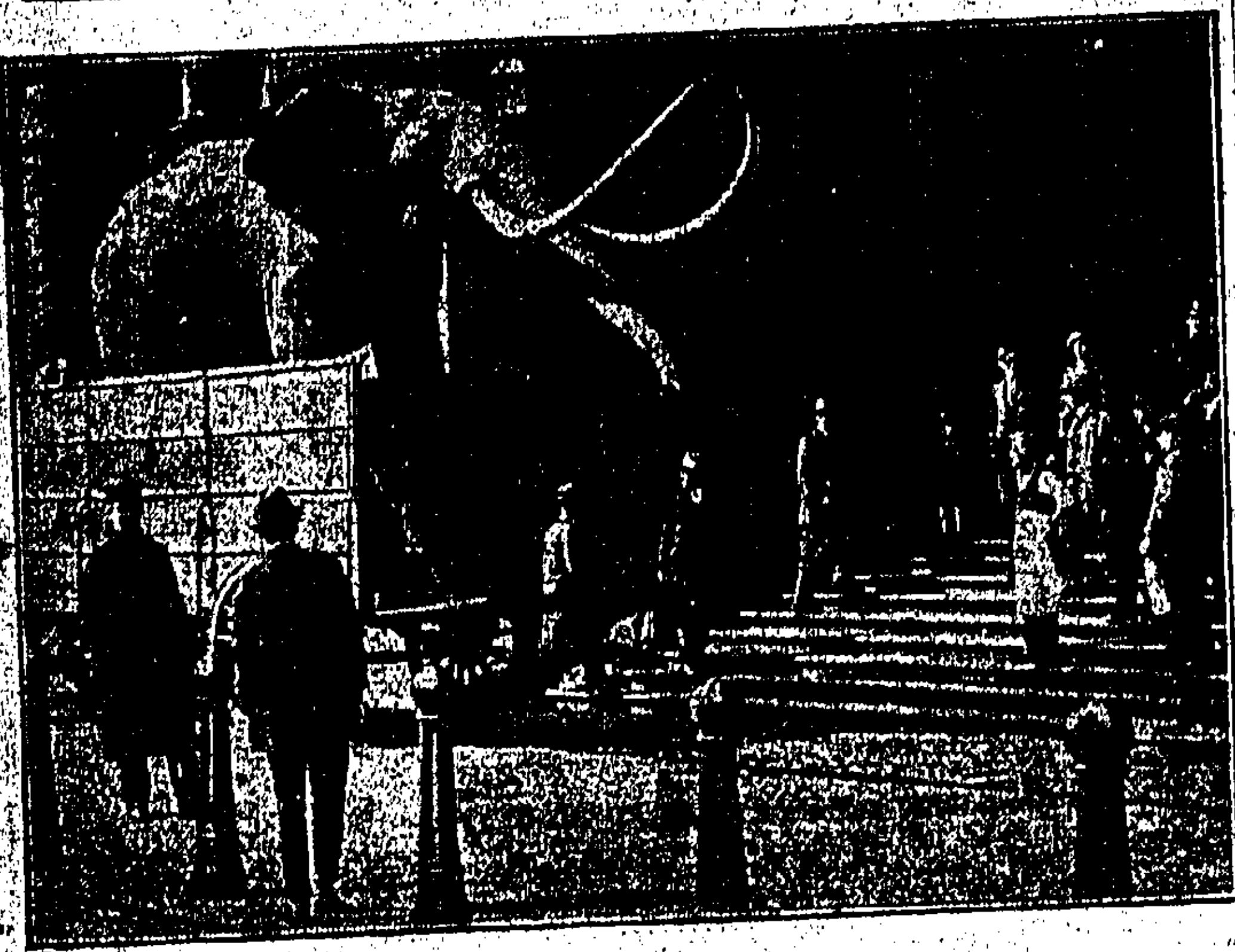
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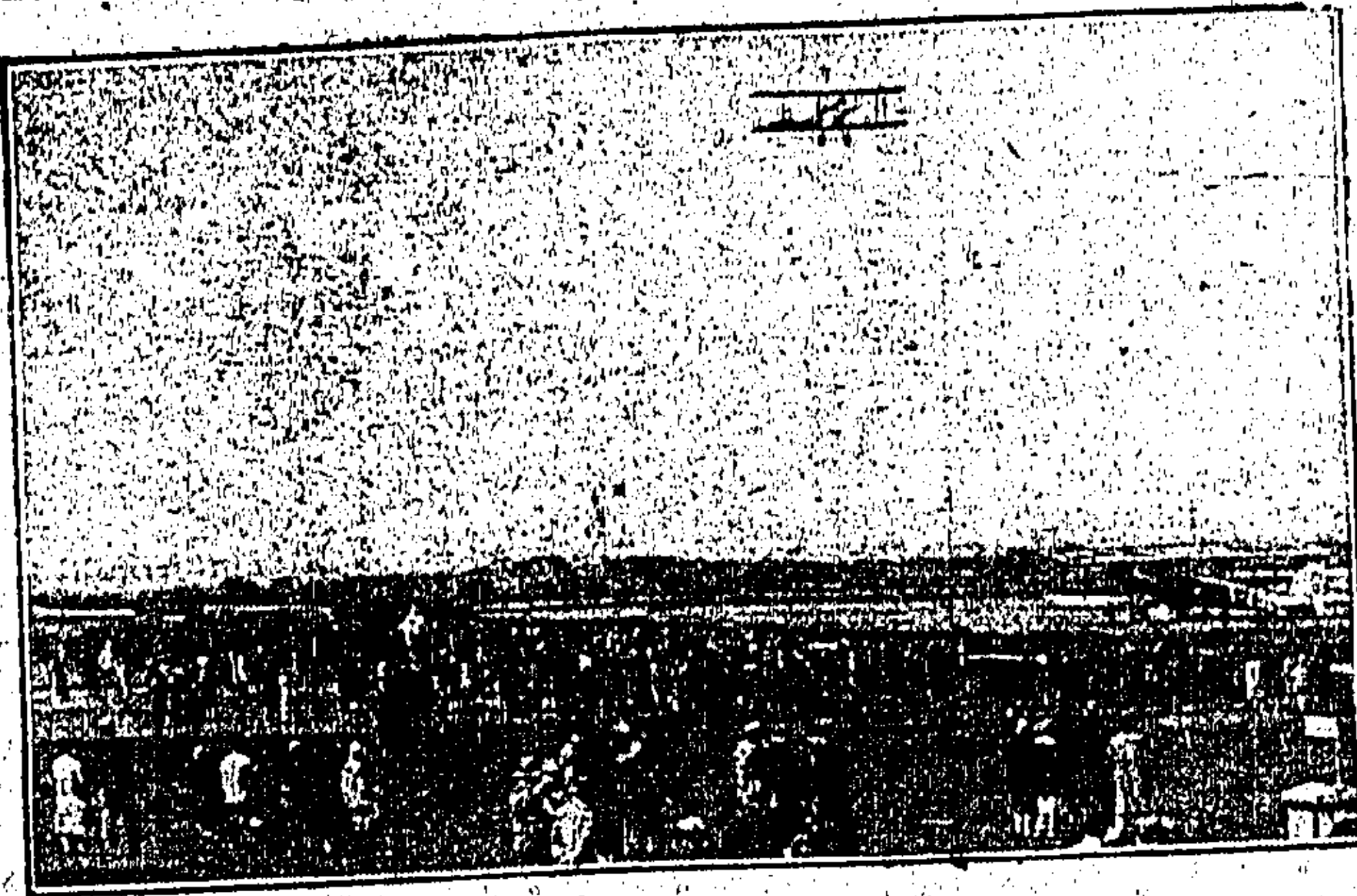
## Just One More

By Swan





**OFF TO BE OVERHAULED.**—The fine specimen of the African elephant which has been in the Natural History Museum for over 20 years was recently removed to be remounted. A photograph of the elephant about to start on its journey is given here. (Times copyright).



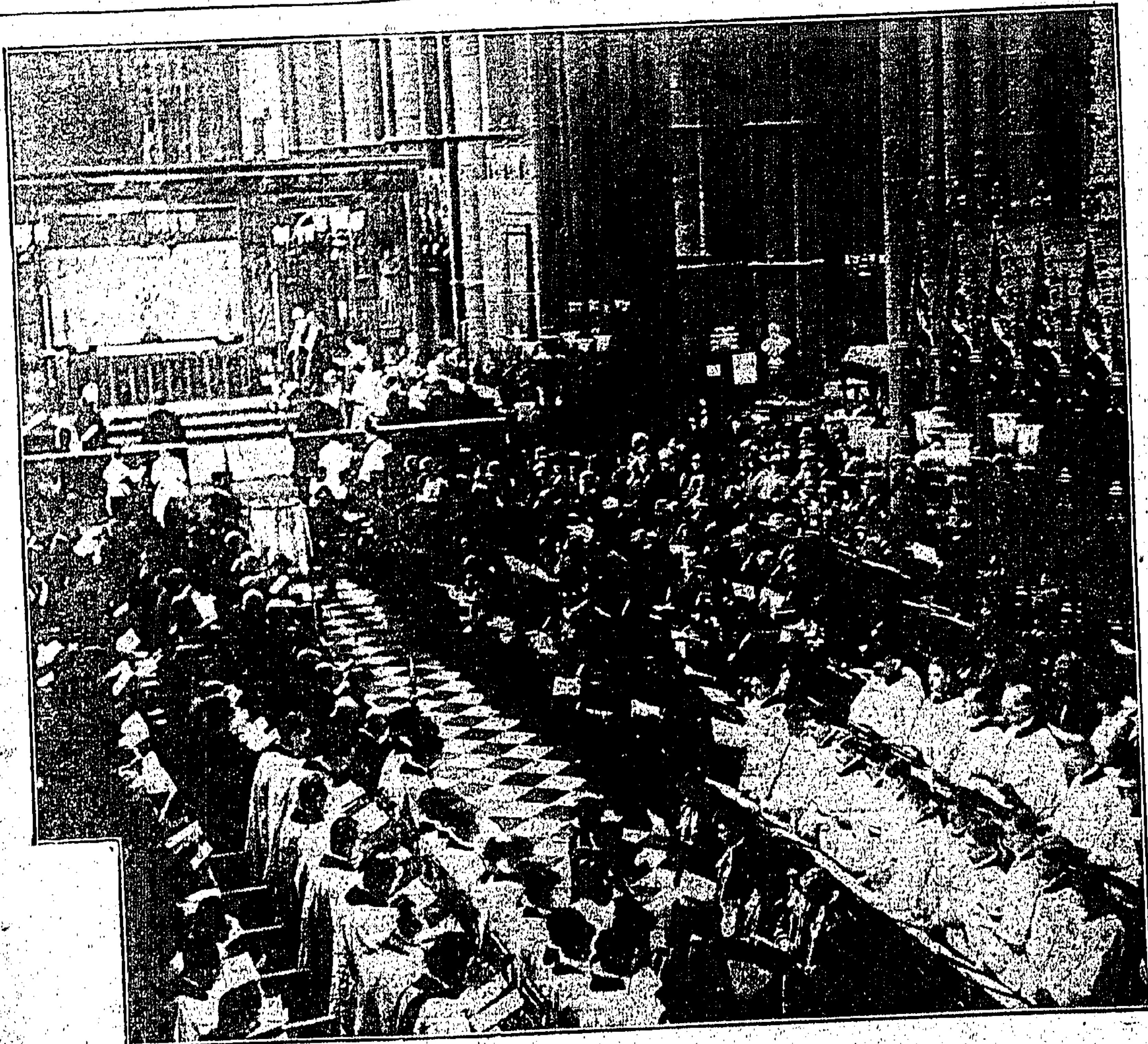
**AIR RACES AT BOURNEMOUTH.**—Our picture shows a general view of Emsbury Park Racecourse taken during the Bournemouth Flying Meeting. (Times copyright).



**PRIMROSE DAY.**—The annual pilgrimage to Hughenden on April-9, in commemoration of Primrose Day. Major Disraeli, Lady Edward Spencer Churchill, the Duke of Sutherland, Sir Edward Clarke, and Mrs. Coningsby Disraeli are seen at the head of the procession to Disraeli's tomb. (Times copyright).



**A SOFT FALL.**—When Bobby Walthour, New Jersey cyclist, fell while training at the Newark velodrome for the forthcoming 6-day races in Madison Square Garden, New York, he picked a soft snow bank for a landing. Peddling past him is Reggie MacNamara, veteran cyclist, who won the last contest.



**THE KING'S MAUNDY.**—The scene in Westminster Abbey at the special Maundy Thursday service for the distribution of the King's Gift to the poor, aged, and infirm men and women. The Maundy money is seen guarded by Yeomen of the Guard with the recipients of the charity standing on either side of the aisle, taken with a Taylor-Hobson Cooke lens. (Times copyright).



**T. TANAKA.**—This is the golfer who set a new world's record in golf by recently making two hole-in-one shots the same afternoon, while playing 18 holes of golf in Vancouver, B. C. He is T. Tanaka, a Japanese golfer. The son of Nippon drove a single at the fifth hole and repeated the feat at the sixteenth hole. His achievement, which has never been equalled in golf history before, was certified by prominent Vancouver golfers who were on the links with him at the time.

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NOTICE is hereby given that the Annual Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, Hongkong, on Thursday, 9th June, 1927, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the Directors together with statement of accounts for the year ended 30th April, 1927.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Saturday, 4th June to Friday, 10th June, 1927, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers. Hongkong, 30th May, 1927.

### THE HONGKONG EXCAVATION, PILE DRIVING AND CONSTRUCTION CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Sixth Annual General Meeting of the above Company will be held at the Registered Office, 2nd Floor, Powell's Building, Des Voeux Road Central, Hongkong, on Tuesday, 31st May, 1927, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a statement of accounts for the year ended 31st March, 1927.

The Transfer books of the Company will be closed from 24th May to 31st May, 1927, both days inclusive.

Dated Hongkong, 23rd May, 1927.

### THE PRINCE'S BUILDING AND LAND CO., LTD.

#### NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE FOURTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its office, Prince's Building, Hongkong, on Tuesday, 31st May, 1927, at 4.00 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st March, 1927.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS OF THE COMPANY will be closed from Friday, 27th May, 1927, to Tuesday, 31st May, 1927, both days inclusive.

By Order, of the Board of Directors, S. K. MOOSA, Secretary. Hongkong, 16th May, 1927.

### HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

The Fourth Extra Race Meeting will be held (weather permitting) at Happy Valley on Saturday, 4th June and Monday, 6th June, 1927, commencing at 2.45 p.m. on both days. The first bet will be rung at 2.15 p.m.

The charge for admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$1. per day for all persons including Ladies. Soldiers and Sailors in uniform half price.

Members are advised that they must show their Badges to obtain admission to the Members' Enclosure.

Each member has the right to introduce 2 non-members to the Members' Enclosure, tickets for whom can be obtained from Messrs. Linstead & Davis at \$5. each per day up to Thursday, 2nd June, 1927.

The charge for admission for Ladies to the Members' Enclosure will be \$2. Each member can obtain, upon application to the Secretary, Badges for admission of 2 Ladies free of charge.

### LOST.

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### CHINESE CUSTOMS NOTIFICATION.

The offices and stations of the Chinese Maritime Customs for Kowloon and District will be closed to public business on the 4th June, 1927.

F. HAYLEY BELL, Commissioner of Chinese Customs, Kowloon and District. York Buildings, Hongkong, 30th May, 1927.

### HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

#### H.M. THE KING'S BIRTHDAY PARADE.

3rd June, 1927.

The public will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure, Public Enclosure and Grand Stand only on the occasion of the above Parade.

By Order, C. B. BROWN, Secretary.

### HONGKONG FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION.

All proposed alterations to the rules of the above Association, the Challenge Shield Competition, Lai Wah Cup and Sunday Herald Charity Cup Competitions must be forwarded to the undersigned not later than the 31st May, 1927.

W. E. HOLLANDS, Secretary. P. O. Box 233.

### NOTICE.

It is hereby notified that, Mr. Lam Wing Yan and Miss Myra Chanson have both resigned from the undersigned Company as from May 26th, 1927. Their power to sign for and on behalf of the Company is therefore revoked as from the above mentioned date.

Hongkong, May 26, 1927.

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#### NOTICE.

THE FORTY-NINTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Offices of the General Agents, Pedder Street, on Tuesday, 7th June, 1927, at noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1926.

The transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 26th May, to 7th June, 1927, both days inclusive.

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Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignee's and the Co.'s representatives on any Tuesdays and Fridays, at 2.30 p.m. within the free storage period.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.

No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns. No fire insurance has been effected.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA. Hongkong, May 30, 1927.

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The Steamship,

#### "HAKOZAKI MARU."

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained. Goods not cleared by the 5th June, 1927 will be subject to rent.

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NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA. Hongkong, May 30, 1927.

### IMMATURE FISH.

#### A COMMON MISCONCEPTION.

Regarding a recent paragraph in the Straits Times on the subject of immature fish exposed for sale in the Singapore markets, we believe (says the paper) it is a very common error to mistake adult fishes of species which do not attain any great size for immature fishes, and even experts are liable to err in this respect, unless careful examination is made.

A few years ago, for example, "Ambai" were prohibited locally on the ground that they destroyed immature fish, but investigation has proved that the fish they caught were almost all of species which never exceeded three inches in length when fully grown and the ban was therefore removed.

Last week the Fisheries Department netted in a reservoir nearly 1,000 fish of a dozen different species. Of the whole catch, no single fish exceeded 4 1/2 inches in length, and yet every specimen examined was mature and had practically attained its maximum growth.

On Monday night the department caught on the launch Shark a shark (Carcharias sp.) 13 inches long. One of the party had just referred to our recent paragraph and murmured "immature fish again," when the shark proceeded to give birth to nine young ones all fully developed who started at once to swim vigorously when put in a bucket of water.

### PENANG TRAM STRIKE.

#### CONDUCTORS DISSATISFIED WITH TREATMENT.

Penang, May 23. The conductors of the Municipal tram struck work to-day, owing, it is said, to dissatisfaction at the treatment they have received.

There was great disorder at the Tramway Station this morning when it was found that not a single conductor had turned up. Arrangements were quickly made to get substitutes and all motor men not on duty were requested to carry on the conductors' work. In consequence of the shortage of hands many cars were not running.

The conductors were waiting at the Municipal Offices to see the manager at noon.

## POST OFFICE NOTICE

### NOTICE.

The parcel post service to Russia in Asia via Japan is temporarily suspended. Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

RADIO TELEGRAMS may now be accepted for Hongkong under the same conditions and at the same rates as for Canton. Radiotelegrams forwarded by letter post to Great Britain are liable to confiscation by the Customs. Such articles should be forwarded by parcel post only.

During the interruption of the Hongkong-Macao cable service the Macao Radio Station will remain open for the exchange of telegrams with Hongkong from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. The Hongkong Station is always open and messages are accepted at any time throughout the 24 hours.

Letters and postcards only for the United Kingdom and Europe will be forwarded via Siberia if so superscribed. The Radio Telegraph Service between Hongkong and Swatow has been resumed and telegrams for Swatow are now accepted under the same conditions and at the same rates as for Canton.

Parcel Post service between Hongkong and Ports of the Yangtze West of Hankow is temporarily suspended.

| From                                                         | Per            | Due      |
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| Shanghai                                                     | Linan          | June 1.  |
| Japan                                                        | Tanda          | June 1.  |
| Shanghai and Europe via Siberia                              | Glenbeg        | June 1.  |
| Manila                                                       | Gema           | June 1.  |
| Shanghai                                                     | Shantung       | June 1.  |
| Europe via Norwegian letters and papers London 5th May 1927. | Suisang        | June 4.  |
| Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai                           | Emp. of Russia | June 6.  |
| U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai                         | Pres. Monroe   | June 6.  |
| U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai                         | Pres. Jackson  | June 6.  |
| Japan and Shanghai                                           | Kashmir        | June 10. |

### OUTWARD MAILS.

| For                                | Per                            | Date.                   |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Saigon                             | Bourbon                        | Tues., May 31, 5 p.m.   |
| Shanghai, Japan and Victoria, B.C. | President Madison              | Tues., May 31, 3 p.m.   |
|                                    | Parcels                        | Registration 4.15 p.m.  |
|                                    | Letters                        | Registration 5 p.m.     |
|                                    | (Due Victoria, B.C., June 20.) |                         |
| Swatow                             | Mingsang                       | Wed., June 1, 8.30 a.m. |

Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America via Vancouver, B.C. and Europe via Siberia ... Emp. of Canada ... Wed., June 1. Registration ... 9.15 a.m. Letters ... 10 a.m. (Due Vancouver, B.C. 19th June.)

Batavia and Samarang ... Samarang Maru Wed., June 1, 10 a.m. Manila ... West Hiarod Wed., June 1, 11.30 a.m. Shanghai and Japan ... Ramses ... Wed., June 1, 5 p.m. Swatow, Amoy and Formosa ... Kotsu Maru Thurs., June 2, 8.30 a.m. Straits ... Glenbeg ... Thurs., June 2, 10.30 a.m. Java via Batavia ... Tjikarang Thurs., June 2, 11.30 a.m. Holhow, Pakhoi and Haiphong ... Tean ... Fri., June 3, 8.30 a.m. Manila, Sandakan, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island ... Parcels ... June 2, 5 p.m. Registration ... Fri., June 3, 8.45 a.m. Letters ... 9.30 a.m.

(Due Thursday Island 18th June.) Shanghai and Europe via Siberia ... Shantung ... Sat., June 4, 9 a.m. Amoy ... Chinhua ... Sat., June 4, 9 a.m. Straits and Calcutta ... Foolsang ... Sat., June 4, 9 a.m. Letters ... 9 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow ... Haihong ... Sat., June 4, 9 a.m. Swatow and Bangkok ... Kalgan ... Sun. June 5, 8.30 a.m. Swatow, Amoy and Formosa ... Hozan Maru ... Sun., June 5, 9 a.m. Weihaiwei ... Huichow ... Mon., June 6, 9 a.m. Swatow, Amoy and Foochow ... Soochow ... Mon., June 6, 9 a.m. Saigon, Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles ... D'Arctagan ... Tues., June 7, noon.

Java via Batavia ... Registration ... Tues., June 7, 1.45 p.m. Letters ... 2.30 p.m. (Due Marseilles, June 7th.) Tjikini ... Thurs., June 9, 10.30 a.m. Cremer ... Thurs., June 9, 2.30 p.m. K. P. O.

Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles ... Kashmir ... June 10, 4.30 p.m. Reg. ... June 11, 9 a.m. Letters ... June 11, 10.30 a.m. G. P. O.

Amoy ... June 10, 5 p.m. Reg. ... June 11, 3.45 a.m. Letters ... June 11, 10.30 a.m. (Due Marseilles 10th July.) Kutsang ... Wed., June 1, 5 p.m.

\*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

## SINGAPORE TRAM BOYCOTT.

### A QUESTION OF INTIMIDATION.

The local Chinese boycott of the trolley-bus services still goes on merrily and if it is fizzling out, as most people appear to believe, the fizzling process is a very slow one, says the Straits Times. In point of fact the position shows little improvement. The public of Singapore have been provided with a transport service which is cheap, modern and comfortable yet those people whom it directly benefits—the Chinese—continue to give it the cold shoulder because of the fear that has been put into them. The official world appears to be unable to do anything to deal with the intimidation which is said to be responsible for this state of affairs and it seems that the solution of the problem lies with the Chinese themselves. Facing the matter boldly and refusing to be intimidated any longer, there must be thousands of Chinese in Singapore who are just as ready to use the trolley-buses as are the owners of the buses to serve them; and since the authorities are either unable or unwilling to tackle the question, the Chinese

public, who are equally sufferers with the transportation company, are left to settle the question themselves. We hold no brief for the Singapore Traction Company, but we do say emphatically that it is deplorable to have to witness a British administration in a British possession admitting that it is beaten by a gang of aliens who at one and the same moment are depriving the public of a cheap transport service and assisting to feather the nests of those who own and operate the rival mosquito bus services. If the Chinese themselves will not exhibit the necessary spunk to end this state of affairs, it seems that the only thing to do is to await the arrival of Sir Hugh Clifford, who will no doubt recognise the urgency of the case.

Calgary, Alberta.—William B. Matthews of Toronto, claims sole ownership of an immense talc deposit in the Rocky Mountains near Banff, on the main line of the Canadian Pacific Railway. The vein lies in a mountain summit, nine miles southwest of the town, containing both white and blue talc. The development branch of the Canadian Pacific Natural Resources is said to be interested in development of the deposit.

### WATER LEVELS.

#### REPORT FROM BOARD OF CONSERVANCY WORKS OF KWANGTUNG. WATER-LEVELS IN ENGLISH FE

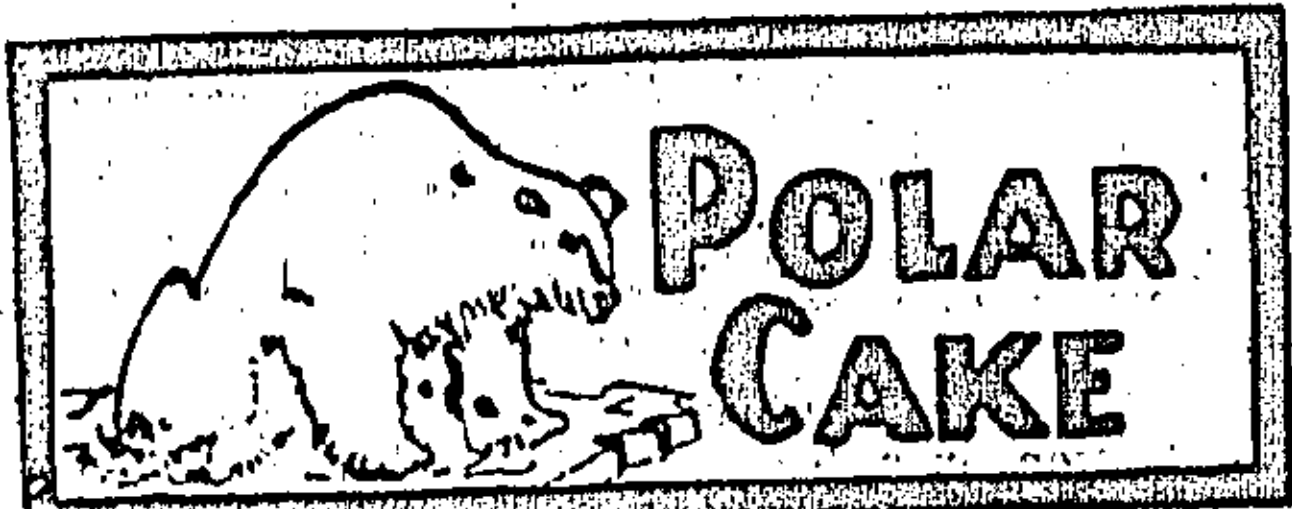


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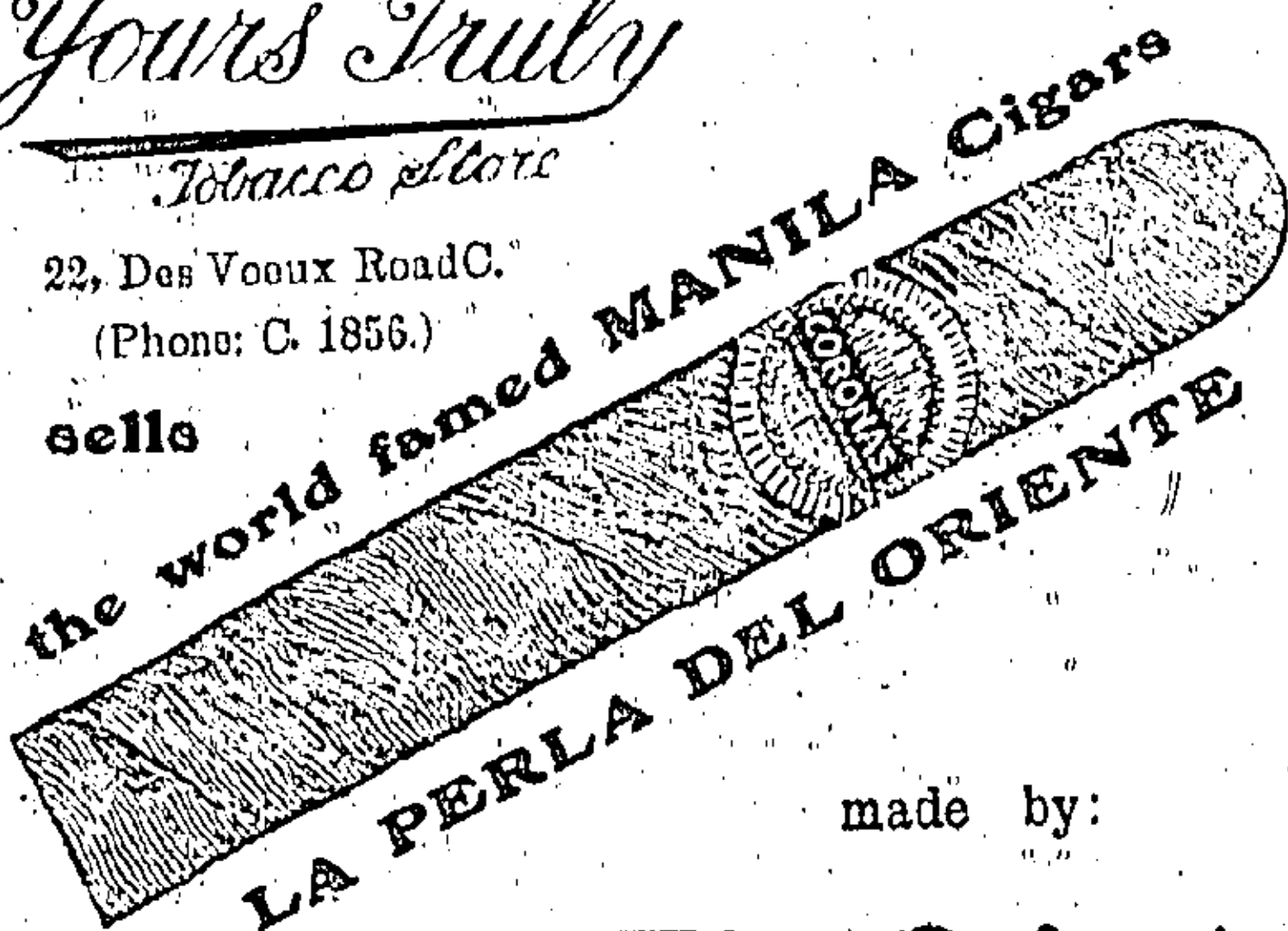
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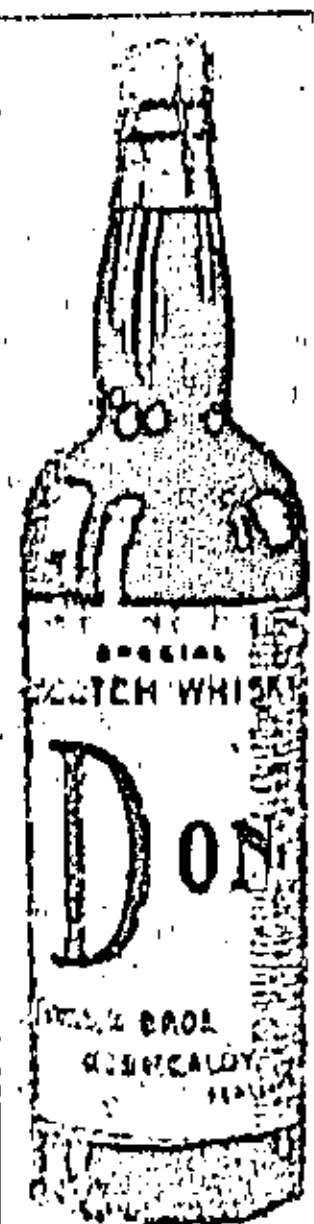


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## HANGCHOW TO-DAY.

OMINOUS SHADOWS ON  
EVERY SIDE.

Hangchow is as interesting as ever. It was quite a pleasure to renew acquaintance with the West Lake and the surrounding hills so full of charm and glory. No wonder this famous beauty spot has earned for itself the designation of "Heaven below," says a correspondent of the N. C. Daily News, writing recently from that city.

On a recent visit, the journey from Shanghai, by railway, was uneventful. True, these days the trains are crowded beyond description but chiefly with soldiers, officers and munitions. Considering the unsettled state of the country, the railway management are to be congratulated in their brave efforts to maintain a service with some degree of regularity, especially in view of the recent chaos into which this gateway of commerce has been thrown. The express on which I travelled steamed into Hangchow under one hour late.

The railway station presented a lively spectacle. Almost every available space was festooned with bunnies, wall pictures and war slogans of every description. A long streamer stretched across the platform carried the inscription—"Beat down the Wu-Han Government." Another bore the words—"Welcome the Nationalist Government now established in Nanking." Other pennants unfurled the fame of Chiang Kai-shek and make it down that "He truly practises the Three Principles of the people."

### Foreigners Not Welcome.

After crossing the city the impression left upon one's mind is that there is something sadly lacking of the old time air of peace and prosperity. The foreigner is looked upon with no small degree of surprise and it is very apparent that he is not an over welcomed guest, at least at this juncture. On the surface everything seems to be all right but on closer observation and judging from the conversation of the common people, present events cast an ominous shadow on every side.

The Propaganda Bureau are still at it and they are doing their piece of work in a masterly way. The wall space of the city is being utilized to the limit. Coloured posters with catch-phrases attract the eye of the man in the street and groups of boys and men may be seen reading aloud the announcements of the day:—"Political power belongs to the people." "We demand absolute liberty for holding meetings; organizing societies; public speaking; the freedom of writing and the freedom of the press." "We are oppressed by the Imperialists and the Militarists: let us arise quickly and link up with the National Revolutionary Party." "Dig out the land grabbing gentry." "Women of all classes arise and combine together." The present regime evidently does not look with favour upon anyone who wishes to take a neutral position for we read—"Down with all those who are sitting on the fence."

### Mission Premises Occupied.

Christian schools, chapels and the homes of missionaries, are still occupied, in some quarters, by the military and Labour Unions. And this, notwithstanding the strongly worded proclamations of General Chiang Kai-shek, Ho Yir-ching and Boh Tsong-hsi, who have issued urgent orders that this procedure on the part of the troops will no longer be tolerated. "These are Imperialist premises," said an officer, in reply to my query how he dared to disobey the order set forth in the proclamation forbidding him to enter a certain missionary's home. Posters denouncing Christian activities are still given prominence—"Down with the Christian Church which drugs the minds of men." I saw one bill which called upon the

## FOREIGN STEEL.

HAD TO BE SCRAPPED  
AT WEMBLEY.

Sir William Larke, director of the National Federation of Iron and Steel Manufacturers, gave evidence in small week at the Board of Trade Whitehall, before the Standing Committee set up under the Merchandise Marks Act (1925) to consider applications for Marking Orders. The federation are making a request for an order ruling that imported iron and steel at the time of importation should bear an indication of their origin.

Sir William Larke said it was possible for contractors to use foreign iron and steel work unwittingly. In the construction of the British Empire Exhibition at Wembley it was expressly stipulated that only British steelwork should be used. In 1923 it was discovered that many tons of foreign steel had been incorporated in buildings.

He did not suggest that the imported material was deliberately employed. Only experts detected the foreign material. After the discovery it was ordered that the foreign steel should be taken out and British substituted.

Cross-examined by Mr. Wallington, for the London Chamber of Commerce, Sir William said he did not think that the delay caused by the difficulty of examination would result in serious interference with the work at the docks and that there would have to be large augmentation of staffs.

people to "Beat down the Americans" and in smaller letters it advised the use of the Boxer method.

### Maudlin Secretaries of Y.M.C.A.

Another denunciatory manifesto ran:—"Beat down and oppose the maudlin secretaries of the Y. M. C. A." After reading this arraignment I happened to pass the Headquarters of the "Y" and to my amazement found the place under guard. A notice in large letters on white cloth stretched across the gateway announcing that the premises were now "The offices of the Local Government."

A bystander told me that the Association secretaries had been ordered to quit and the buildings had been forcibly taken that day. It is said the Local Government had offered the "Y" \$100 in order to rent other buildings for their work. Remonstrances against this high-handed behaviour fell upon listless ears.

Quite a number of institutions have been appropriated in this way. At the large hospital which was taken over a short time ago, two large scrolls adorn the main entrance and read—"Down with Imperialism" and "Promulgate the spirit of the people." Inside the waiting hall another long scroll exhorts the people to "Remember the thirtieth of May."

### Rude Awakening Coming.

It is illuminating to hear the gossip of the people in respect to some of the institutions seized by the government. A rude awakening is coming upon some of those responsible for this lawless action. Instead of being able to make money, it is now found that finance must be donated to the institutions in order to keep them going concerns.

In business circles the outlook is far from promising. Quite a number of shops, including large silk stores, have been obliged to close. Several banks have shut their doors and pawnshops have closed down. The Ho Ling silk factory, which gives work to some 2,000 odd hands, has also had to close besides many other factories. A financial and unemployment problem is created which is being found very difficult for the new government to handle. A man in a very small way of business said to me—"By this time last year I had cleared \$200; this year, covering the same period, I have not had \$20 worth of business." The high rate of wages promised by the Unions cannot materialize. There is much dissension among the

## SILLY D.O.R.A. RELICS.

RULES CONDEMNED AT  
INQUIRY.

At this time, nearly 10 years after the conclusion of hostilities, neither the public nor the trade is prepared to accept, without careful inquiry, arbitrary restrictions on the liberty of the subject.

This statement was made in evidence before the Home Office Committee of Inquiry into the working of the Shops (Early Closing) Acts last month by Mr. Allan S. Belsher, chairman of the National Consultative Council of the Retail Liquor Trade and chairman of the Licensed Victuallers' Central Protection Society of London, Limited.

Licencees, he said, wanted liberty to sell cigarettes, tobacco, cigars, and matches during the whole of the hours their houses were open for the sale of excisable liquors.

"Since the days of Sir Walter Raleigh," he added, "in the mind of the average man the natural accompaniment to a 'glass' has been a 'pipe'."

The trade wanted an extension of the period during which drinking was permitted to ten hours per day—extended over twelve hours, with a two-hours break in the afternoon—throughout the country.

Licencees had to pay as much for their tobacco licences as ordinary retail tobaccoists, but their hours of sale were limited to about six a day. "The public are heartily tired of what they call pettifogging restrictions."

### "Trust the People."

Mr. Hugh Kelson, president of the Scottish Licensed Trade Defence Association, said: "I am against all kinds of legal restrictions. They are the ruin of the country."

Mr. Stewart (a member of the committee): You would like to return to the full licensing hours?

Certainly, and trust the people. His own customers at the Mint Hotel, Lochgelly, were mostly miners.

Sir Frank Meyer: Do they complain when you refuse to serve them with cigarettes and tobacco after 8 p.m.?—They do. They call you all kinds of names and you have to look at your birth certificate after they have gone to find out what your real name is. (Laughter.)

Customers regarded the restriction as unnecessary, ridiculous, harassing, and irritating. Sir William Perring: Is not the consumption of tobacco to-day greater than ever before?—Undoubtedly.

Yet that increased supply is sold in a reduced number of hours. He objected to automatic machines for cigarettes. "It is juggling with the law," he declared, "and we in Scotland are honest traders and we do not wish to juggle with the law but to sell our commodities as honest traders to honest citizens."

working classes. Masters are unable to carry on and apprentices are going off to join the army.

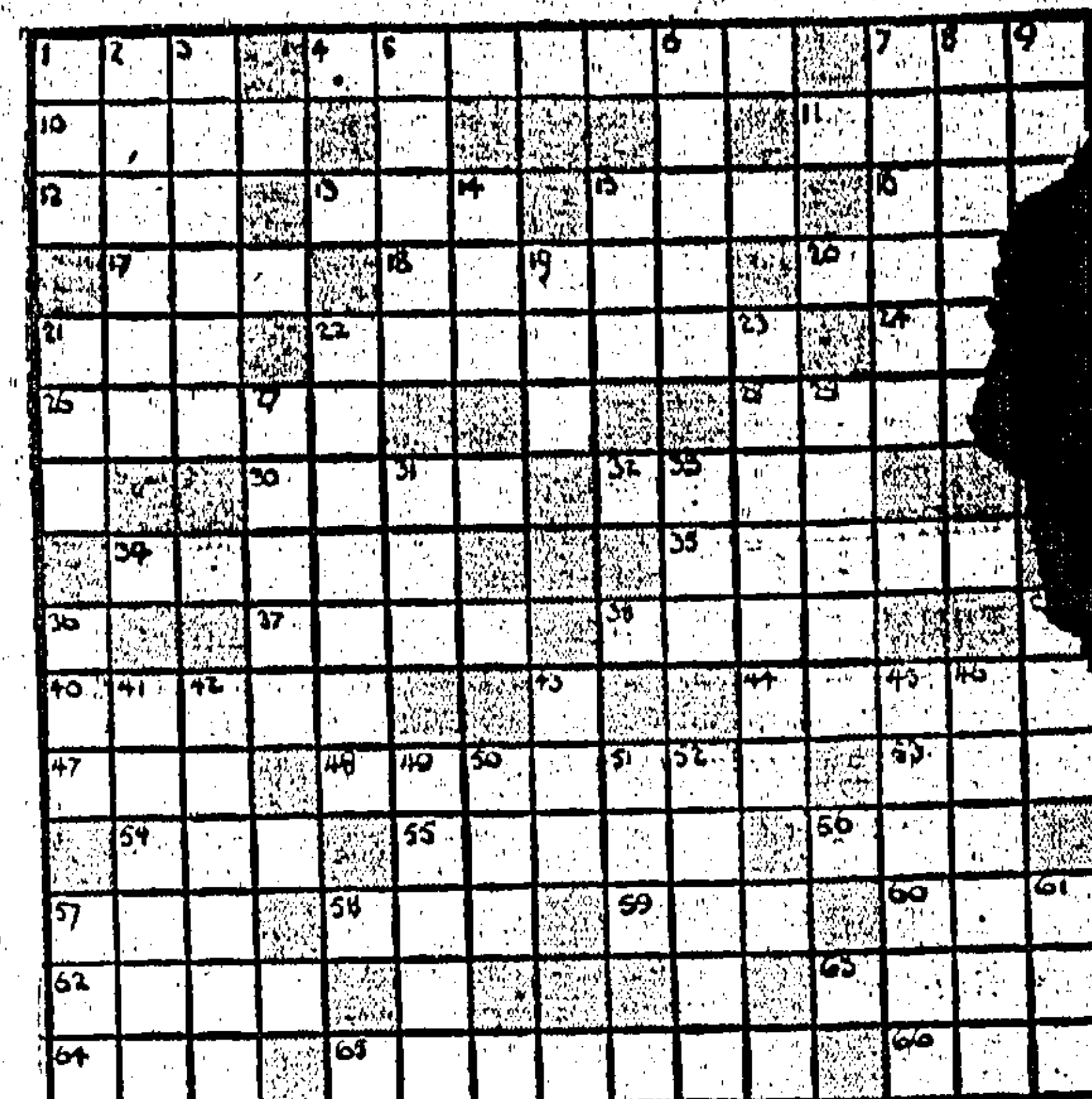
### Funds For Revolution.

Recently a conference was called by the Chamber of Commerce. The leading business people were invited to a feast after which the purpose of the gathering was explained. Steps were initiated to "borrow" \$5,000,000 to help on the revolutionary movement against the North. Each invited guest had to sign a pledge of his share in the loan before he was allowed to leave. Almost every shopkeeper has some share in this burden.

General Li has arrived with his troops from Kiangsi and a great welcome ceremony had been arranged on the public recreation ground by the West Lake. Recruiting is going on apace these days and some very young boys are to be seen in the ranks.

The next great celebration is the commemorative service on May 30. This event is being announced not only by poster but is woven in the small Turkish face cloths used by the people.

## OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE.



Across.

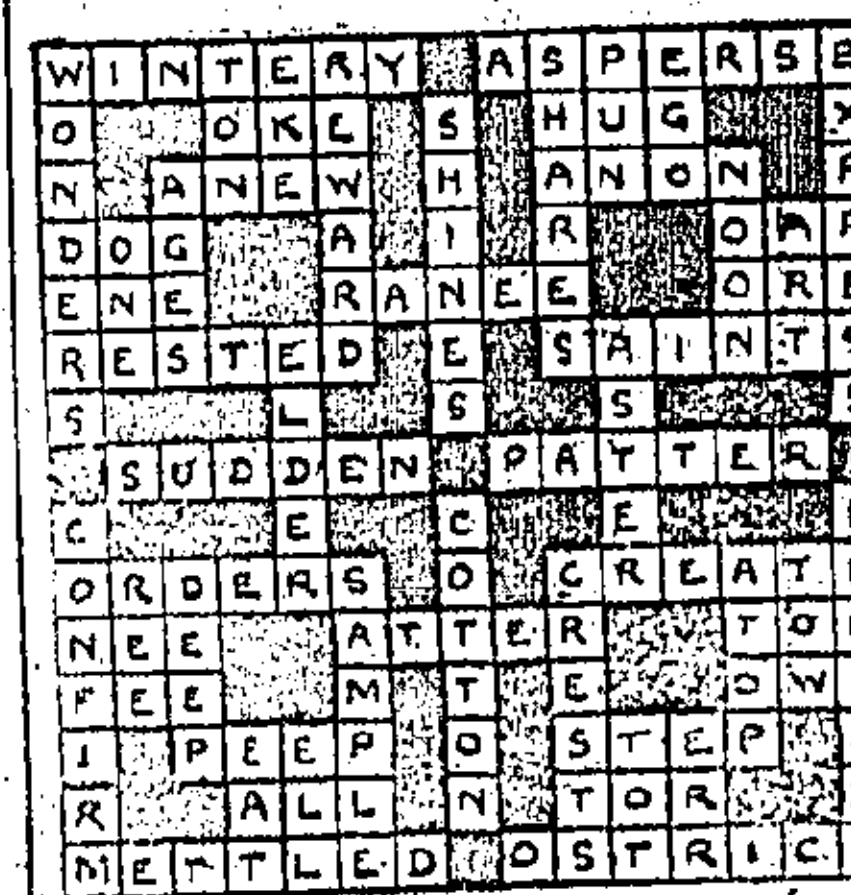
- 1 Boy.
- 4 Place of amusement.
- 7 Move quickly.
- 10 Not shut.
- 12 Valley.
- 13 Boy's name (abbr.)
- 14 Sagacity.
- 15 Hall.
- 16 Bird of the crow kind.
- 17 Obtain.
- 18 Moral perception.
- 20 Spun by a spider.
- 21 Ocean.
- 22 Church tower.
- 24 Decrepitude.
- 26 Pertaining to punishment.
- 28 One who calls by name.
- 30 Faint coarsely.
- 32 Gem.
- 34 Religious songs.
- 35 Out of order.
- 37 Notion.
- 38 British shrub.
- 40 To lessen.
- 41 Set loose.
- 42 Distant.
- 43 Methodical.
- 45 Noise.
- 46 Attempt.
- 48 Pertaining to law.
- 50 Merry.
- 51 Consumed.
- 53 Boiled fruit.
- 59 Contest between nations.
- 60 Half.
- 62 Home of a bird.
- 63 Solitary.
- 64 Emmet.
- 66 In partnership among.
- 68 Portuguese coin.

Down.

- 1 Great amount.
- 2 Point in the moon's orbit.
- 3 Behave.
- 5 Heave up.
- 6 Disentangle.

- 7 Recover by payment.
- 8 Not having sufficient ability.
- 9 Naval.
- 14 Starting point in golf.
- 15 European adder.
- 19 Clear of all deductions.
- 21 Look without being seen.
- 22 Public reproach.
- 23 Charm.
- 25 Parched.
- 27 Let in.
- 28 Adverse.
- 31 Employ.
- 33 Friend.
- 35 Dole.
- 38 Not many.
- 41 Make fat.
- 42 Seize and fix (attention).
- 43 What a bear does.
- 45 Involuntary trembling.
- 46 Non-metallic element.
- 49 Exalt.
- 50 Precious stone.
- 51 Regulation.
- 52 Winged.
- 57 Collection of sayings.
- 61 British river.

Yesterday's Puzzle.



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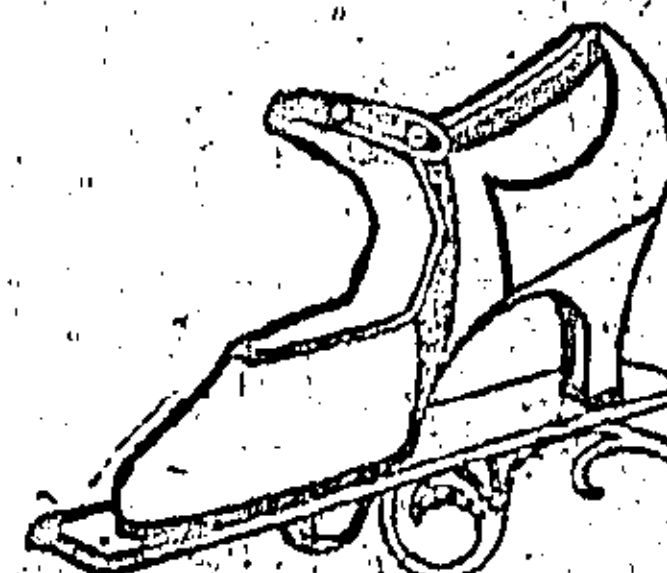
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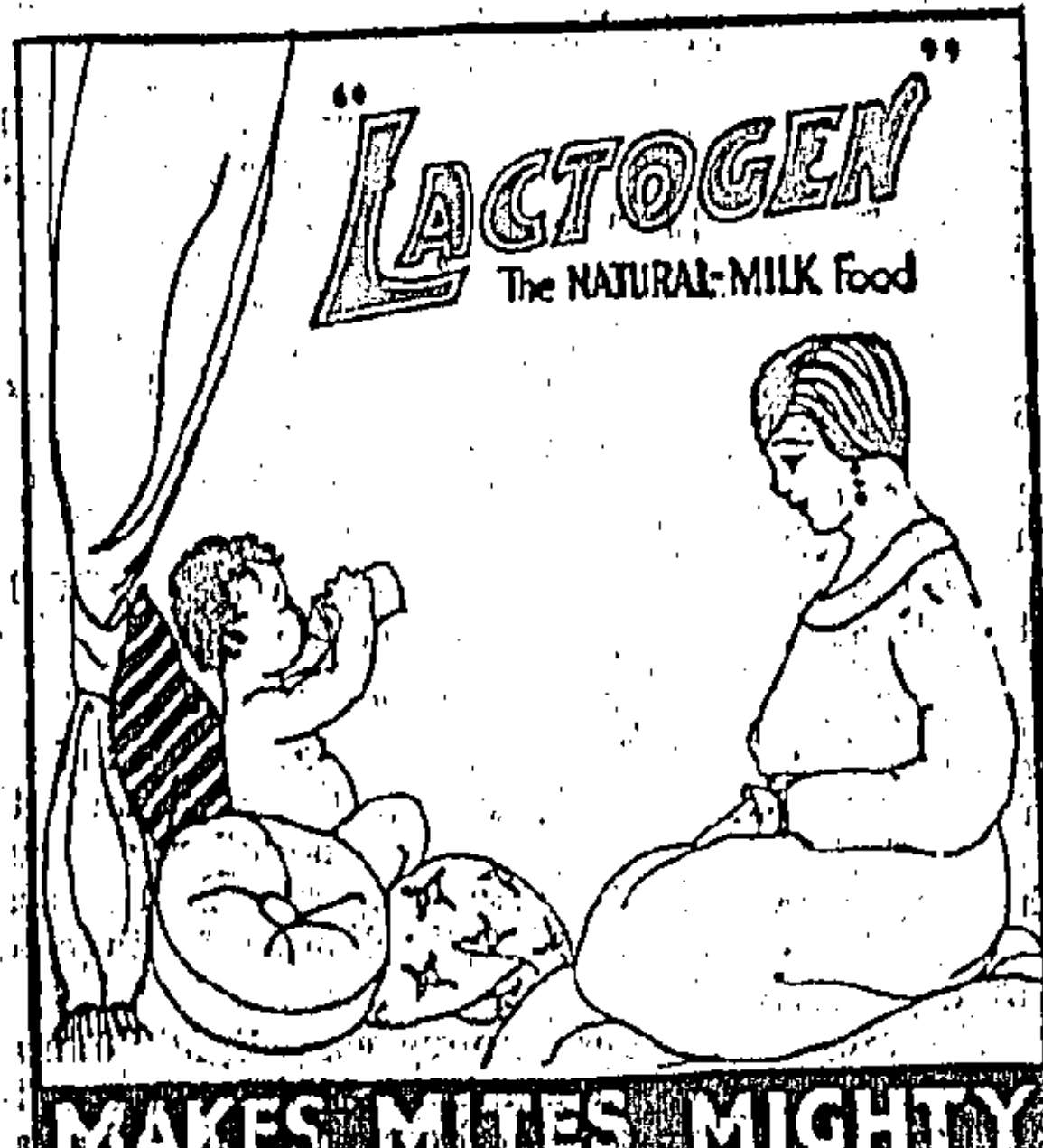
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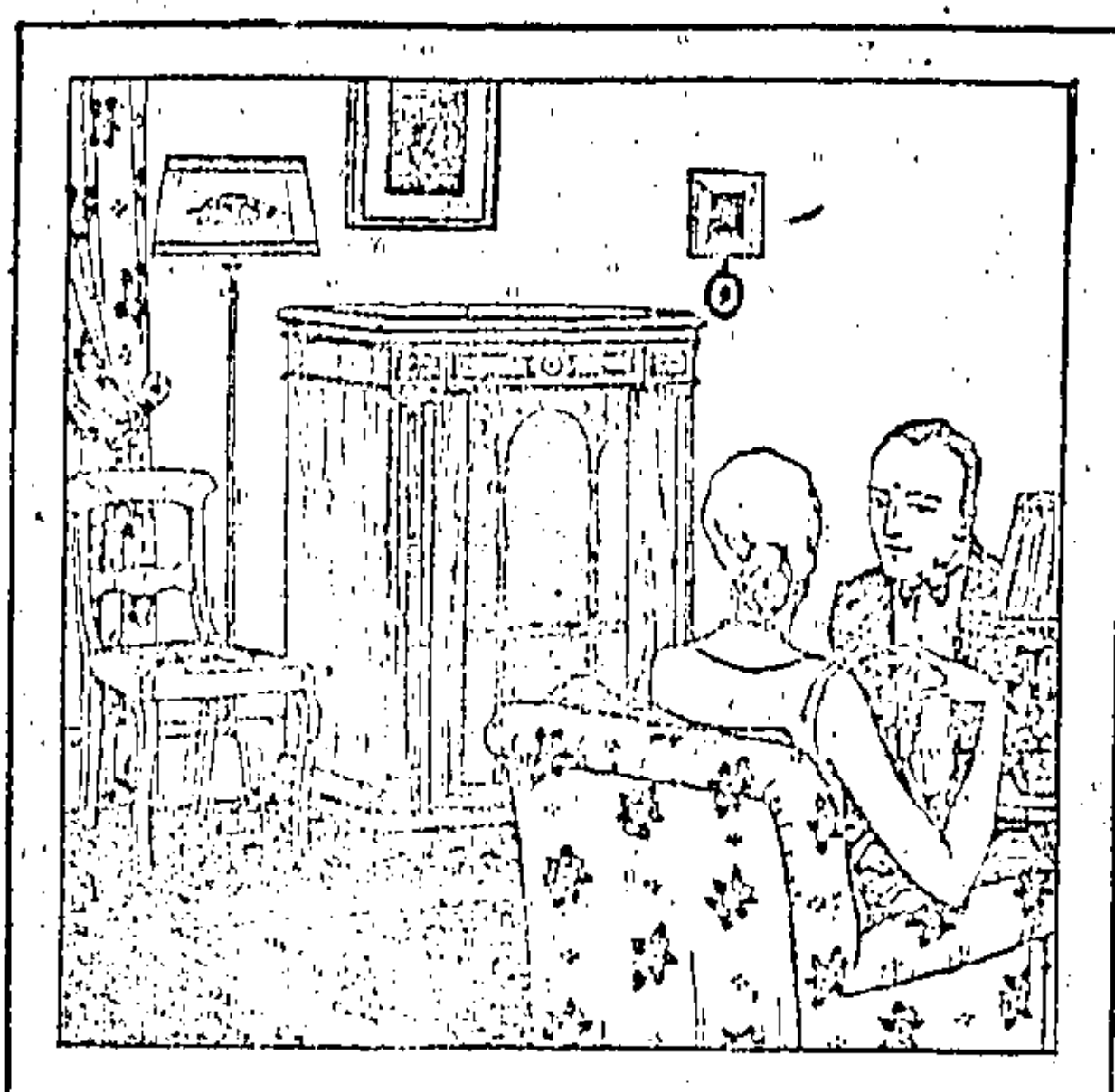
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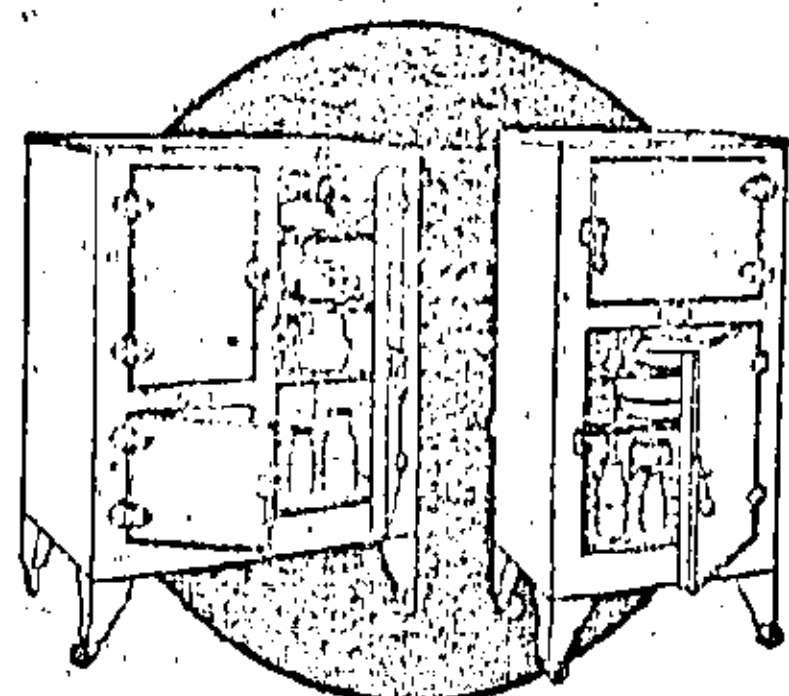
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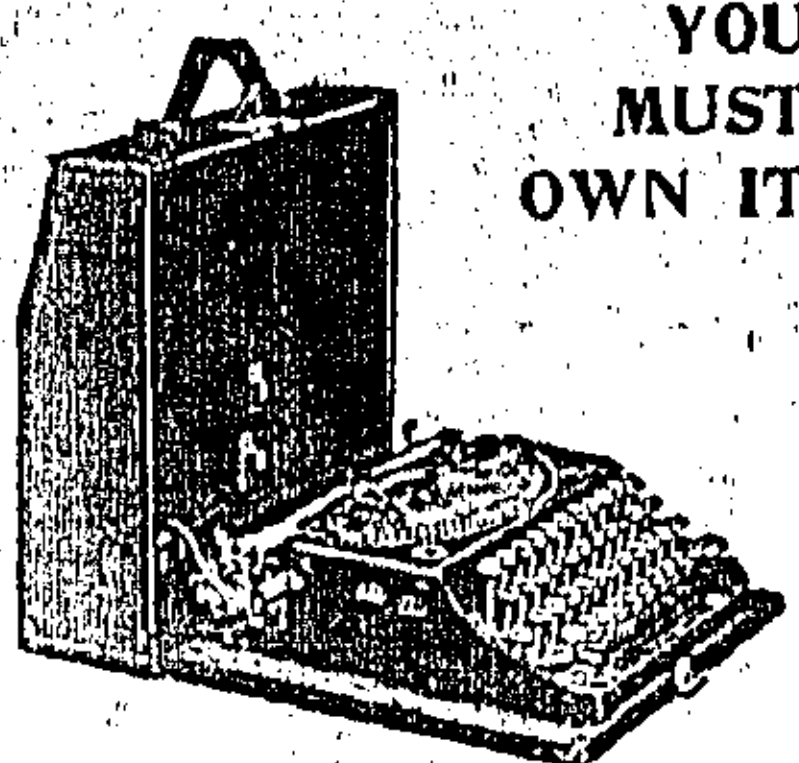
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## CHIANG'S PROGRESS.

Out of the somewhat chaotic condition of affairs ruling in China at present, there emerges one factor that cannot be ignored—the dominating position held by Marshal Chiang Kai-shek. While Han-kow continues more or less “Red” and anti-Chiang, while the Fengtien forces hurl themselves, and possibly thereby uselessly expend their energies, against the Communist section of the Southern faction, the Nationalist armies under Marshal Chiang continue to progress northward, and have already penetrated into what was for long considered an impregnable defence. Loyang has fallen, key positions on the railway system have been captured by the invading troops, and the whole Shantung area apparently lies before the Nationalists, with Tientsin and Peking, the ultimate prizes for the Marshal to add to his already considerable collection. Apart from any possibility of a reconciliation between the moderate and extremist Nationalist parties, there is this main fact, of the expedition which set out from Canton a year ago pushing its way, after a pause for fresh orientation, towards the original goal. To digress for a moment, one may observe the part that dissension has played in recent Chinese military history. Owing to the failure of the North to maintain unity, it is disrupted, cloven in twain, and threatened with final defeat. The maintenance of a semblance of unity in the South has aided materially in the successes that go to its credit. The only check in the campaign, as it happens, was immediately following the capture of Shanghai, when the Nationalists split on the rock of intrigue, and the Russian-led party tried to oust Chiang from his position of supreme commander. That move having failed, and despite the handicap that dissension must mean for him, Chiang is able to strike a shrewd blow at his disorganised enemies, using the well-disciplined troops that have remained under his regime. It is a pointer to the efficiency throughout of the force that he had at his command. It is also a commentary on the power that is lent to the arm that can wield the weapon of Chinese national ambition. It should be a lesson to the North in particular, and to the Chinese faction-leaders in general.

Of Chiang's northern campaign, little can be predicted for the pro-

sent. It is obvious that he is being taken very seriously by the foreign Powers who have paramount interests in Shantung. Britain and the others are mostly concerned with the question of Peking, and Tientsin where there are diplomatic representatives, concessions, and the like, as well as much property, such as the railways, which is mortgaged as security for large sums advanced in the form of loans. Japan, of all the Powers, has the largest stake there, for further north lie her leased territories and settlements. After Shantung, perhaps Manchuria? One never can tell, and least of all in China to-day. It is as well for the nations interested in events to take precautions against a repetition of outrages that have occurred elsewhere in the country, and the despatch of further troops in defence of foreign nationals and their property requires no special comment. Much has been learned in the past few months, and the policy of waiting until after the event, has been definitely discarded.

## Castle Peak.

We have already complimented the Government on its decision to provide a public bath for bathing purposes at Repulse Bay and would now like to suggest that something similar be done for those who visit Castle Peak and who have no shed of their own. So far as the Repulse Bay decision is concerned such a shed could only be used by those who could afford to go to the expense of taking either a motor bus journey or hiring a private motor car, and the same would apply in the case of Castle Peak. There are quite a number of people in Kowloon who would like to spend a Sunday out in the open air and go bathing on a little more ambitious scale than is possible by a visit to Tai Wan Bay and yet who can afford neither a private motor car nor a private bath. There is an excellent service of motor buses out to Castle Peak and there is also a very suitable bathing beach (just east of the beach at present so much in use) on which a large public bath could be erected. If such a shed were erected, we are sure that many would avail themselves of the motor buses and take the opportunity of spending a day by the sea, taking cold picnic provisions with them. The road to Castle Peak is really beautiful (much more attractive as a ride than the journey out to Repulse Bay) and it should be easily possible for the Government, by means of a public bath, and the motor bus companies, by means of good services, to make Castle Peak a popular resort. On Sunday last there was a goodly number of visitors (owners of private cars and sheds) and the thought occurred how good it would be if more of Kowloon's residents could enjoy the facilities of the spot. If we remember aright, the Bathing Beaches Commission was in favour of a scheme for making use of Cheung Sha Wan (the long sandy bay about a mile and a half this side of Castle Peak) but nothing has come of it. Perhaps those officials who have decided to give the public some accommodation at Repulse Bay could turn their attention to the more distant beaches on the other side?

## GANGES MARU PROCEEDS.

ABLE TO CONTINUE WITHOUT  
AID.

The O.S.K. freighter, the Ganges Maru, is proceeding to Takao, Formosa, her original destination, without assistance, no further danger being feared in respect of the vessel, which, as reported yesterday, lost her rudder in a heavy gale, and sent out S.O.S. signals on Monday night.

The distress call was answered by H.M.S. Thraxian, the Nitto Maru and the President Madison, all of which have now arrived in Hongkong.

The Nitto Maru established communication with the Ganges Maru yesterday afternoon, and ascertained that with a calmer sea and favourable winds, the temporary rudder which had been erected, and by which control of the vessel had been regained, would enable her to proceed to Takao without assistance.

It appears that the Ganges Maru received a severe buffeting in the course of a storm on Sunday and Monday, but apart from the broken rudder, which left her in a perilous position for some time, no damage was sustained.

The vessel was carried miles out of her course in her long drift, and the master, Capt. Shimazaki, had lost all sense of position of the vessel when the S.O.S. signals were sent out.

## DAY BY DAY.

HOPE IS THE MOTHER OF FAITH.—  
Lauder.

A dog which yesterday bit Dr. M. Nicholson, has been sent to Kennedy Town for observation.

The s.s. Empress of Russia left Yokohama yesterday morning and is due to arrive here on June 6th.

It is expected that the through express trains between Canton and Kowloon will resume running tomorrow.

After May 31 the Chinese Young Women's Christian Association of Hongkong will be located at No. 133 Caine Road.

This morning's Harbour Office Reports gave 14 arrivals and 18 departures, of which five and six respectively were British, leaving 64 vessels in harbour, British 19.

Mr. W. H. N. Murdoch, of Messrs. Gibb, Livingstone and Co., reports the loss of a pump and a leather hood from his motor car, which was parked in Pedder Street yesterday.

It is announced in the home press that the Council of the British Medical Association has awarded the Stewart Prize to Sir Malcolm Watson in recognition of the scientific and administrative work that he has performed, which has freed large tracts of Malaya from malaria.

That Kleinman is still the steadiest and most completely equipped European lawn tennis player in Malaya was clearly demonstrated on the S.C.C. courts last week when, in the final of the championship at Singapore, he defeated Clere, the hard driving French player, 4-6, 6-0, 6-2.

Members of the staff of the Manila office of the Dollar Steamship line gave a “despedida” in honour of Mr. W. B. (“Bill”) Barney at the Lerma Cabaret last week. Mr. Barney is returning to the United States on the President Madison after a long sojourn in the Philippines.

A Chinese was invited by a friend to go for a walk at Kowloon Tong, and when they reached the nullah near the Diocesan Boys' School, he was pushed into the nullah and assaulted by several men who had been in hiding. He was robbed of money and jewellery to the value of \$48.

Major Hayes, residing in Nathan Road, reports to the Police that on Sunday afternoon some person stole from his jacket a black wallet containing \$320 in notes. Major Hayes is not certain as to where the wallet was lost or stolen, but surmises that the larceny occurred at the Officers' Mess at the bathing beach at Kowloon Docks.

## CHINESE STUDIES.

UNIVERSITY'S NEW  
DEPARTMENT.

We have received from the Registrar of Hongkong University a pamphlet issued therefrom, and under the signature of the Vice-Chancellor, Mr. W. W. Hornell, dealing concisely with the University's new Department of Chinese Studies.

The pamphlet has been approved by the University Council, and it no doubt will be of interest to all who may desire to take up a serious study of the subject or to aid in the establishment of a Chinese faculty by means of donations. To establish and endow a Chinese School the University will require about \$1,500,000 in Hongkong currency.

## POLICE DESERTER.

PLENTY OF EXCUSES.

After an absence from the Colony of over three years, a Chinese who was formerly in the local Police Force, returned to Hongkong recently and when seen in Hung Hom, he was promptly arrested on a charge of desertion from the Police Force.

The ex-constable told Mr. W. Schofield, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, that he had received news of the death of his aunt in the beginning of February 1924 and so hurried was his necessary departure that he did not even have sufficient time to put in an application for leave.

His Worship pointed out that it was three years ago since he deserted, and that he could have returned before now.

The defendant replied that he had been kidnapped and was only recently released.

His Worship imposed a fine of \$100 with the alternative of two months' hard labour, in default.

## BREAK WITH THE SOVIET.

NORWAY TO WATCH OUR  
INTERESTS.

London, May 30.

In the House of Commons, Sir Austen Chamberlain announced that the Norwegian Government had agreed to look after British interests in Russia.—*Reuter.*

German Visas.

Berlin, May 30.

It is semi-officially stated that the German Embassy in London will issue visas for the Arcos officials. The number will be restricted to 120, and they will be valid for a maximum period of six weeks.—*Reuter.*

Liquidation Question.

London, May 30.

Rosengolz, the Soviet charge d'affaires, has sent a letter to Sir Austen Chamberlain requesting that Soviet citizens who are directors of Arcos and other British companies conducting Anglo-Soviet trade in Great Britain, and the Soviet trade organizations as well as the departmental managers and necessary staff, should be permitted to stay in England after the departure of the trade delegation, in order to liquidate these organizations, otherwise the immediate liquidation of these firms will be ordered, and the responsibility for damages will rest with the British Government.—*Reuter.*

## COLONIAL RESEARCH WORK.

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE'S  
SUGGESTIONS.

London, May 30.

The Colonial Conference has approved of a scheme of agricultural research and organisation. At the outset the report of the committee on the colonial scientific and research service requests the Colonial Office to appoint a committee to work out a detailed scheme for submission to the Governments concerned.

The Conference are of opinion that the scheme could be initiated on an income of £175,000, of which a considerable portion would be replacement of existing expenditure on the salaries of agricultural research officers.

A preamble to the report says that the committee was appointed to prepare a scheme based on contributions to a common pool for the creation of a colonial scientific research service available for the whole Colonial Empire. It was decided to restrict the enquiry to medicine, agriculture, veterinary science, and forestry.

Lord Lovat in a speech at the conclusion of the Conference said that the question of organisation of research was the biggest and most interesting of the Conference.—*Reuter.*

## THE TYPHOON.

PASSING AWAY FROM  
HONGKONG.

The following typhoon warnings were issued by the American Consulate General this morning:

May 30, 10.30 a.m.—Typhoon in about 118 Long. East, and 21 Lat. North, moving north-north-west.

May 30, 6.30 p.m.—Typhoon in about 117 Long. East, and 22 Lat. North, moving north-north-west.

The above are times of despatch from the Manila Observatory.

The local typhoon signal was lowered during the night.

The Royal Observatory reports to-day that the typhoon has entered the coast about 30 miles southwest of Swatow, but nothing stronger than a fresh breeze has been reported.

There may be another typhoon east of the Visayas.

## THE COLONY'S HEALTH.

LAST WEEK'S RETURNS.

There were nine new cases of enteric fever reported last week, eight being Chinese and one Japanese. Eleven deaths from this disease are notified.

One new case of small-pox and five deaths are reported.

There was one fatal case of cerebro-spinal fever.

Yesterday's health return contained two cases of small-pox (Chinese); one case of diphtheria, (Chinese) and five (Chinese) of enteric fever.

The local weather forecast of the Royal Observatory for to-morrow is West winds, moderate; fair at first, rain later.

## The Very Idea!

An elderly man was persuaded by his son to go with him to a football match. The son, intent upon giving his father a good time, had booked two seats in the grand stand.

"Now," said the son joyfully, "you'll see more excitement for your seven-and-sixpence than you've ever seen before."

The old man grunted. "I don't know so much about that," he said dismally. "Seven-and-six was all I paid for my marriage licence!"

The baby filled its mouth with food.

And then to talk it tried.

"What did the baby say?" mom asked.

"A mouthful," dad replied.

Mr. Crompton Wood, the member for Bridgwater, who has made only one speech in the House of Commons, and is not likely to make another, does not hold the record for Parliamentary reticence. This, as far as can be discovered, belongs to Major J. D. Hope, who was elected for Berwick in 1900 and retained until 1922, and who, during that time, did not once open his mouth in the House. Another silent member who achieved the remarkable feat of reaching front bench rank and becoming chief Government Whip without addressing the Speaker was Mr. Glyn, who, in 1872, when Disraeli called for an explanation from the Whips, announced that that was his first speech in fifteen years.

Territorial summoned at Highgate for not performing his prescribed musketry: "I was present, I remember it well because Bill Parsons scored 'one.' Magistrate: The case is adjourned."

Durham wife, complaining of her husband: He came home from a football match in a bad temper because his team had not scored enough runs.

Man at South Shields: I guarded off the blow and hit him. Solicitor: Was it a violent blow? Man: I don't know. I did not feel it, I only gave it.

Solicitor at Lewes: You are a musician; you play the trombone? Man: Yes, they call us musicians.

A teacher at school was giving a lesson on various kinds of animals. The camel, the elephant, the cow, and the lion were mentioned.

"Now, my boys," said the teacher, "who can tell me what a bison is?"

One little Cockney in the front row spoke out:—"Please sir, a bison is a thing wat yer wash yer face in."

The office of Master of the Horse, which it is reported may shortly be abolished in the interests of economy, is one of the duties and privileges of which have long been somewhat vaguely defined.

On Queen Victoria's first public appearance after her accession, the Earl of Albemarle, then Master of the Horse, claimed the right to ride with her in the State coach.

The Queen demurred, wishing to be attended only by her ladies, but the Earl insisted, whereupon she referred him to the Duke of Wellington, who, as an authority on such matters, declared:—"The Queen can make you go with her in the coach, or outside her coach, or make you run behind her coach, like a damn tinker's dog."

Brains cannot be mined like coal, but they can easily be undermined.—Mr. F. Mander.

Our schools seem to afford a convenient experimenting ground for all sorts of stunt-mongers.—Mr. R. J. Anderson.

A healthy beggar is infinitely happier than a sickly millionaire.—Sir W. Arbuthnot Lane.

An actress was passing a shop where a score of fish lay staring with glassy eyes.

"Good gracious," she said, "that reminds me, I've got a matinee to-day."

## EMPRESS OF CANADA STRUCK.

SLIGHTLY DAMAGED DURING  
TYPHOON.

Lying alongside the wharf at Manila during the typhoon, the "Empress of Canada" was struck in the stern by a small vessel which had broken from its moorings.

The Canada was slightly damaged, a number of plates above the water-line being dented. The task of strengthening the plates is now in progress as she lies at the Godown Company's wharf at Kowloon.



SHOTS FIRED AT  
POLICE.SINGAPORE GUNMAN FELLE  
BY A STONE.

## COURAGEOUS CAPTURE.

At seven o'clock last Monday night a policeman who was on duty in Cantonment Road, Singapore, noticed five Chinese who were walking along the road. He became suspicious of them and went on to Sepoy Lines Police Station.

When the Chinese came down Cantonment Road to the junction of New Bridge Road, which is in front of the Police station, the policeman and a number of others went up to the five Chinese and attempted to search them.

At the same time three of the Chinese drew pistols, and one of them fired pointblank at a constable. Fortunately, the shot missed.

## Ricksha Puller Hit.

The five men, however, managed to run down New Bridge Road followed by the police. As they were running away one of the Chinese turned round and fired five shots at the police, four of them, however, missing their object. One of the bullets struck a ricksha puller on the knee and the man had to be taken to hospital.

As the police were running one of them picked up a stone and threw it at the man who was firing the shots. He caught him on the head and the man fell to the ground, where he was promptly arrested. The other four got away.

## Ammunition Found.

When the wounded man was searched it was found that he had 15 live cartridges on him besides six in his revolver, one of which, however, was a misfire.

He was later taken to the hospital, and will be charged with attempted murder.

It was fortunate that there were few people there at the time as eight or nine shots were fired altogether.

## Another Arrest.

Later the same night, at about ten o'clock another Chinese was arrested in Telok Ayer Street, just behind the Detective Station. A detective noticed the Chinese walking along the road and thinking it would be advisable to search the man he approached him. The Chinese was found to be armed with a pistol and he also had a supply of spare ammunition with him.

## Shop-keeper Stabbed.

At about 10.30 on Monday morning, a Hoken sandy goods shop-keeper was attacked by about twenty Chinese, names unknown, and seriously wounded. The affair is said to have originated in a quarrel over the purchase of dried fish and the shop-keeper was stabbed in his shop No. 87, Tanjong Pagar Road. He was removed to hospital with wounds in the chest and arms. No arrests have yet been made.

## ASSAULT CASE.

## PARTIES BOUND OVER.

In connexion with the fight at 14, Matheson Street in which a Chinese woman appeared as complainant against her husband and mother-in-law hearing was concluded this morning.

It appears that a proposal by the S. C. A. that the husband should give \$30 to the woman and drop the case, was not acceptable by the woman.

After hearing the evidence his Worship inflicted a fine of \$10 on the man for the assault and ordered that a compensation of \$5 be paid to the woman. He further bound over the two defendants as well as the complainant in personal bonds of \$50 to be in good behaviour for six months.

## POET'S CORNER.

## AT REPULSE BAY NOW.

The tyranny of wealth behold,  
Flaunted by those who in their pride

A sixth-share in a matched hold  
Beside Repulse's joyous tide.

But Government's paternal care,  
All-heeding of the "peoples" cry,  
Now lets the democratic fair,  
Display their charms to those on high.

We have the right to bathe as they;  
But "V" forces a crying wrong:  
The haughty jeunesse doree may  
"Ignore" us as we pass along.

Since all are equal (save finance)  
In Government's paternal care,  
It should be made, by Ordinance,  
Compulsory to fraternise. W.

## SHARE TRANSACTION.

CLAIM FOR ADDITIONAL  
\$500.

The question as to whether a Chinese was entitled to receive an extra \$500 on selling his \$6,000 share in a Chinese company formed the subject of a Summary Court action, which was heard this morning, before the acting Police Judge, Mr. P. Jacks.

Mr. M. K. Lo appeared for the plaintiff, and the defence was conducted by Mr. Leo d'Almada.

Mr. Lo explained that the claim was for \$500, being the money due on a \$6,000 share which the defendant bought from the plaintiff, the share being used in the defendant's firm. The only issue in the case was as to whether the purchase price was \$6,500 as they claimed, or \$6,000 as alleged by the defendant.

The plaintiff admitted receiving \$6,000, but said there was a further \$500 due. The only written evidence was an acknowledgment chop by the defendant's firm, admitting that \$500 was due on the transaction.

The plaintiff said he was a partner to the extent of \$6,000 in the defendant's firm and, when he retired, it was agreed that the defendant should take his share for \$6,500. He had received \$6,000 but not the balance.

Mr. Lee Chor-sum, gave evidence of arranging a settlement between the parties, and said that eventually the sum of \$6,500 was agreed upon, but as far as he knew the plaintiff had not received the odd \$500.

## Case Adjourned.

Mr. d'Almada applied for an adjournment to call as witnesses two compadres from the International Bank who were partners of the firm. He said he did not discredit Mr. Lee's evidence, but if it was decided that the defendant had the power to agree to an extra \$500 being paid, then the point would arise as to whether he had the power as far as the other partners were concerned.

His Lordship referred to the point as to whether the defendant was acting on behalf of himself or the firm, as there had been no evidence to that effect. In granting the adjournment until Friday week, he asked Mr. Lo to consider the question whether he would amend his writ to sue the defendant only as manager, or whether he would prove that the other partners had given authority.

## COMPANY REPORT.

PEAK TRAMWAYS CO., LTD.

The report of the Directors, for the year ended 30th April, 1927, to be presented to shareholders, at the annual ordinary general meeting of the Peak Tramways Co., Ltd., to be held at Hongkong Hotel, on Thursday, June 9th, says:—

The Directors now beg to submit to you their Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ended 30th April, 1927.

The Net Profit for the twelve months, after deducting Directors' Fees and General Managers' remuneration, and making provision for depreciation amounts to \$36,024.87, to which has to be added the balance brought forward from last account, \$20,687.92, making available for appropriation \$56,712.59.

The Directors recommend that the amount available for distribution viz:—\$56,712.59, be allocated as follows:—

Pay a Dividend of 7 per cent. on 25,000 shares fully paid up \$17,500.

Pay a Dividend of 7 per cent. on 50,000 shares \$5,000 paid up \$12,500.

And Carry Forward to next account \$21,712.59.

Directors.—During the year Mr. A. O. Lang and Mr. R. Mein Austin resigned from the Board on leaving the Colony. Sir Robert Ho Tung and Mr. J. J. Paterson joined the Board. In accordance with Article 95 (a) of the Articles of Association, the present Members, Mr. J. Scott Harston, Mr. A. S. Gubbay, Sir Robert Ho Tung, and Mr. J. J. Paterson retire, but being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

Auditors.—The accounts were audited by Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews and Messrs. Linstead and Davis. Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews and Messrs. Linstead and Davis offer themselves for re-election.

A telegram from Chatham says: "Quite a stir has been caused among established men in Chatham Dockyard because about forty of them have received discharge notices, bearing the endorsement:—"Services—not entirely satisfactory." At a crowded meeting of established men, indignation was expressed, and it was decided to take expert legal opinion on the Superannuation Acts. One speaker described the Admiralty action as a bombshell.

## MEMORIAL DAY.

AMERICAN WORLD POLICY.

Washington, May 30.

"We want our relationship with other nations based, not upon a meeting of bayonets, but of minds," declared President Coolidge in his Memorial Day address in Arlington cemetery.

The speech, which was significant in view of the forthcoming three-Power arms conference, laid stress on the necessity for a basis of understanding and goodwill, and America's desire for a peace not imposed by America but established by each nation for itself.

America should, step by step, in every practical way, show a determination to discard force and compulsion and substitute reason and law in international agreements.

## China Programme.

"The Government has recently been attempting to proceed in accordance with these principles in China, Nicaragua, and Mexico; and in inviting Japan and Britain to participate in the tripartite naval conference; but we can only be a moral force in the world to the extent that we established morality in our own country."—*Reuter's American Service.*

## To Oust Bolshevism.

Paris, May 30.

The American colony of Paris celebrated Memorial Day in the most solemn manner. The Ambassador, Mr. Herrick, made a speech in the American cemetery, in which he emphasised that Americans were determined to defend the United States against Bolshevism as vigorously as their ancestors had defended it against tyranny.—*Reuter.*

OLD ASSOCIATIONS  
SEVERED.DEPARTURE OF MR. A. S. D.  
COUSLAND.

Many happy associations will be broken by the departure for Home to-morrow, on retirement, of one of the Colony's oldest European residents, Mr. A. S. D. Cousland, the managing director of Messrs. Alex. Ross and Co. (China), Ltd. Mr. Cousland is travelling Home by way of Canada, leaving by the Empress of Canada, which sails at noon to-morrow.

Mr. Cousland came to Hongkong first in 1902, and in the twenty-five years which have followed, he has been associated with many business enterprises. Succeeding Mr. Moss as head of Messrs. Alex. Ross, he was also director of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, of the Star Ferry Company, of the Dairy Farm Company, Messrs. Lane, Crawford, Ltd., and Messrs. Wm. Powell, Ltd. He was appointed an unofficial Justice of the Peace in 1909.

Mr. Cousland was always active in his work for the Union Church, and he was also one of the original members of the Y.M.C.A. in Hongkong. When the European Y.M.C.A. was opened in Kowloon recently, he immediately took a close interest in all its activities. He was the chairman of the Literary and Debating Club. At the last Feast Night of the Club, it will be recalled, he was presented with a framed group portrait of the committee as a token of esteem.

HOW MUCH DO YOU  
KNOW?

## TO-DAY'S QUESTIONS.

The following general knowledge paper has been taken from the *Daily Express*.

Answers, for those who need them, will be found on Page 14 of this issue.

- 1.—What two kings were brothers, yet bore the same Christian name?
- 2.—Why does a dog turn round and round before lying down?
- 3.—What is the supposed use of tonisls?
- 4.—What bird hatches its eggs in a standing position?
- 5.—What is the first recorded railway accident?
- 6.—What was the original name of the tomato?
- 7.—Give the intrinsic value of the Victoria Cross.
- 8.—Name a popular fallacy connected with the porcupine.
- 9.—What is proof spirit?
- 10.—How did we get the word "book"?
- 11.—Why does the wind blow?
- 12.—How many toes has a cat?
- 13.—What is katakai?
- 14.—What is the origin of the superstition about spilling the salt?
- 15.—Where was the Islington mentioned in "The Ballad of the Daughter"?

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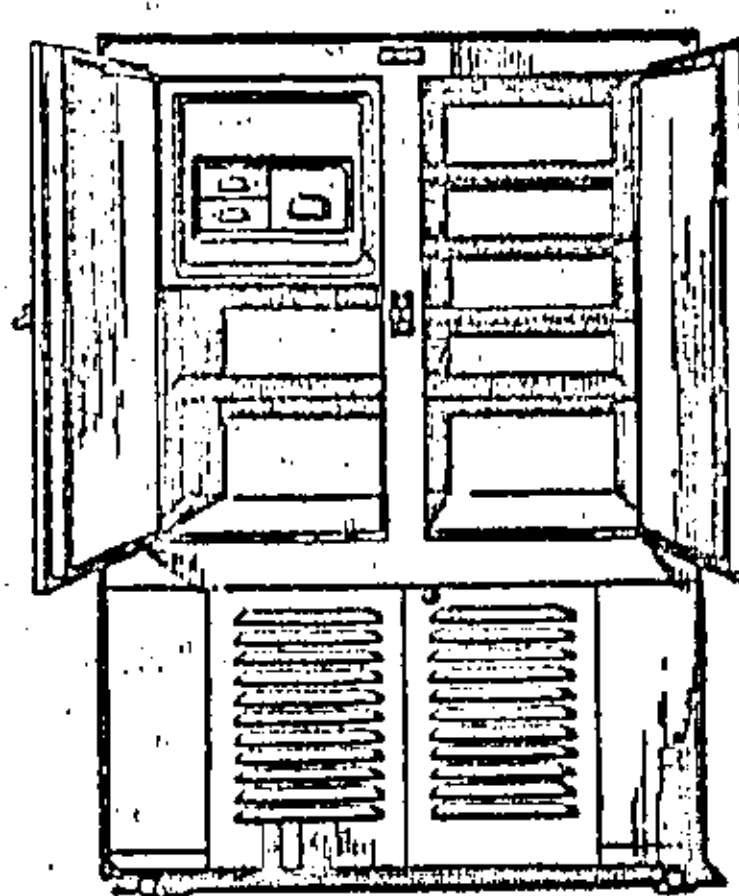
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## SHARE ALLOTMENTS.

EXTENSION OF TIME  
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In the Supreme Court this morning, before the acting Chief Justice, Mr. J. R. Wood, Mr. H. G. Sheldon applied on behalf of the Kwong Shun Steamship Company for an extension of time for filing an allotment of shares.

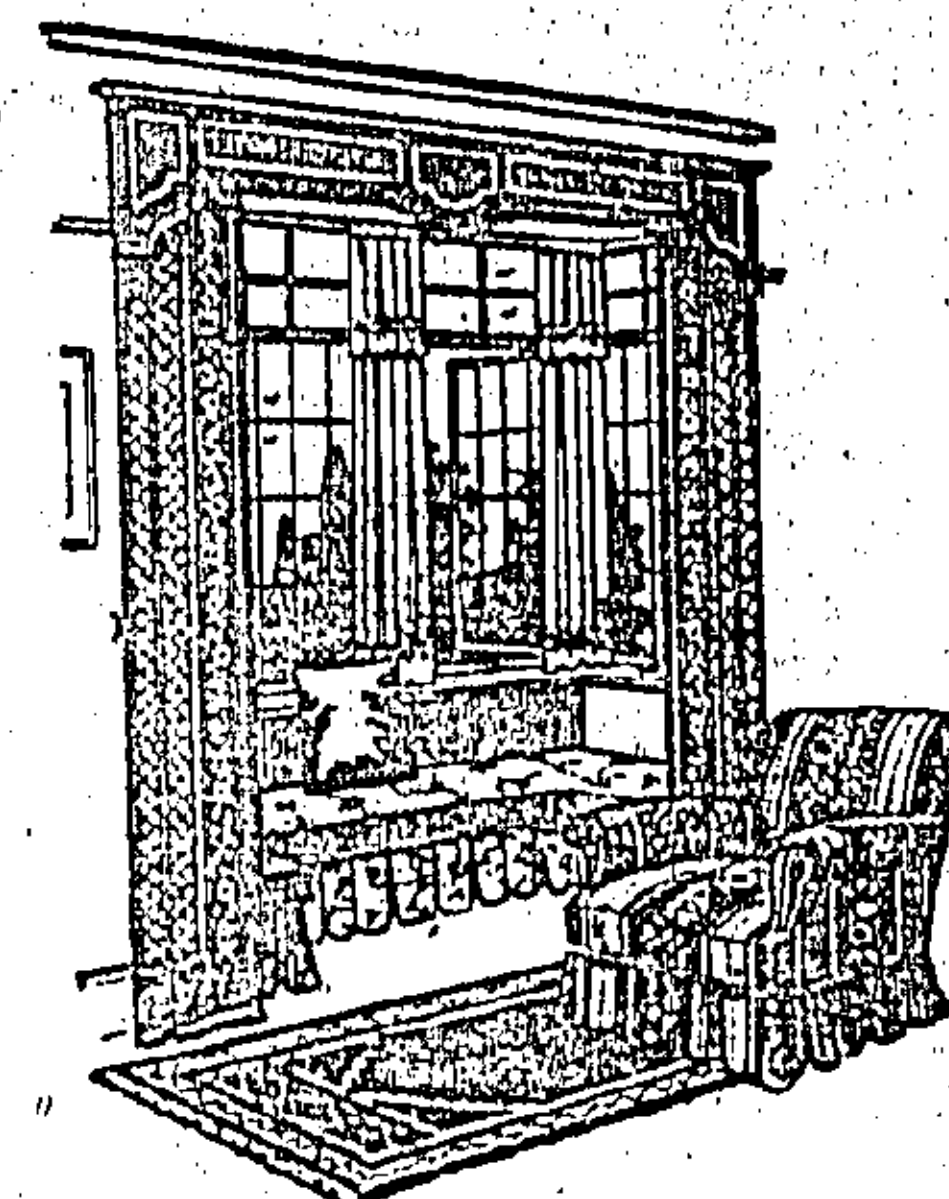
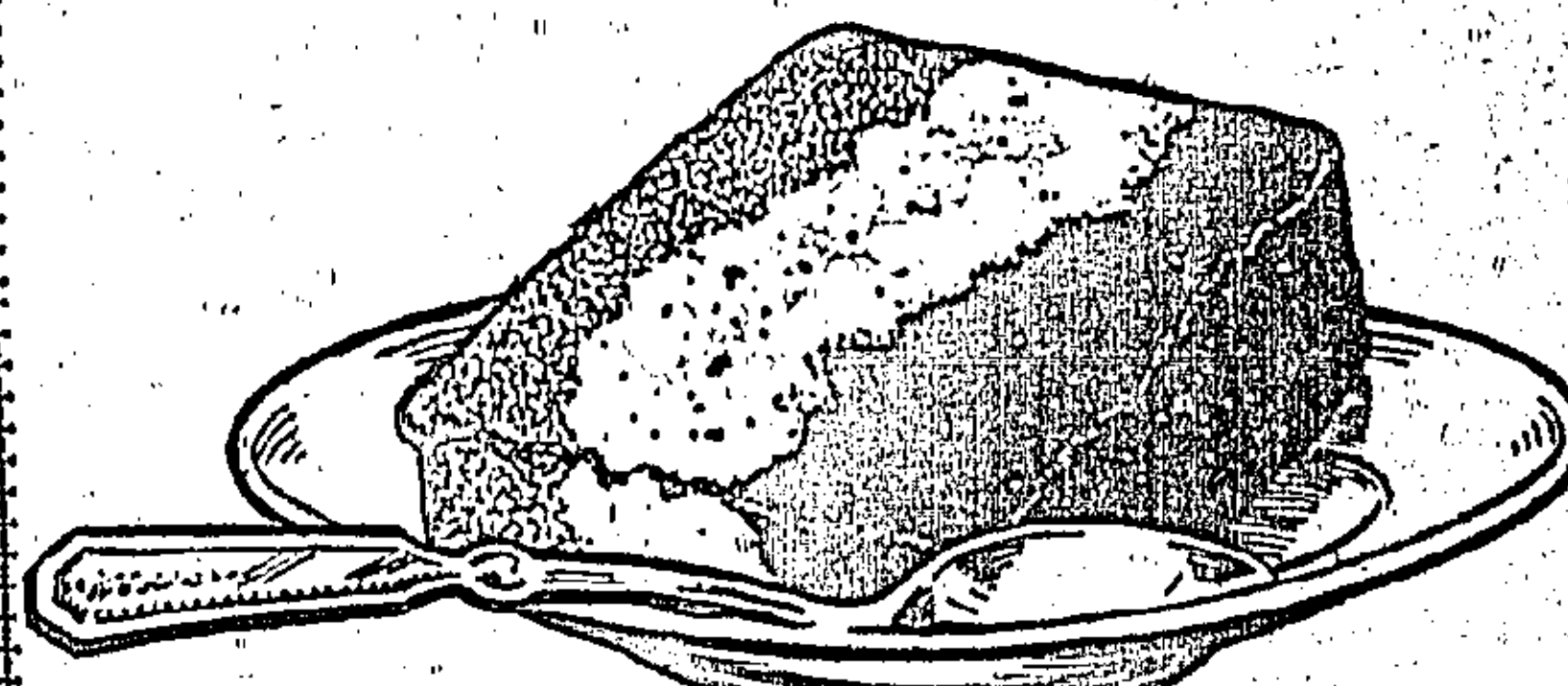
Mr. Sheldon said that between January 16 and May 7 of this year, 161 shares were allotted to 11 persons, such shares being fully paid up. A return was made out on May 12, but it was very properly refused by the Registrar of Companies because it had not been made during the prescribed period of six weeks.

The failure to file in the allotted time was due to negligence and misunderstanding of the law on the part of the manager and other officers.

His Lordship: What would happen if the order was refused? Mr. Sheldon replied that in that case nothing would happen except that the shares would have to be allotted again, and the originals would be null and void.

Remarking that they would reach the same stage at a later date in the event of the order being refused, his Lordship granted an extension of time for seven days.

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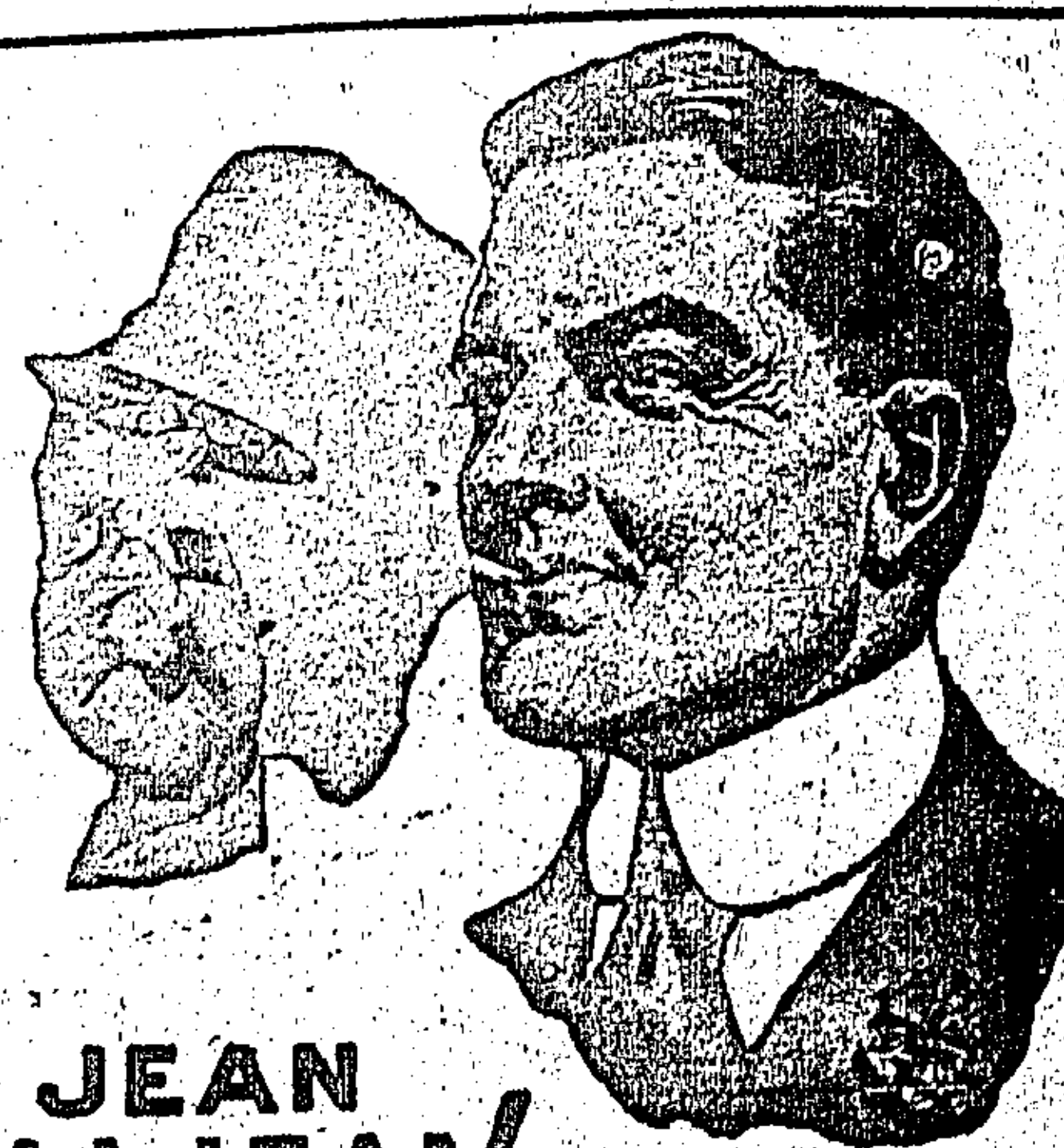
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## EUROPE'S RECOVERY.

COUNTRIES ATTAINING NEW STRENGTH.

The after effects of the strike in Great Britain, including the deficit in the British Budget, the depression in France due to falling prices at home and the increased buying power of the franc abroad, doubt as to Germany's making the Dawes plan payments which attain their maximum in 1928, and the retarded recovery of the countries of Southern Europe, have combined to produce undue pessimism concerning recent economic progress in Europe. Yet the internal financial structure in most European countries is gradually attaining new strength, production and consumption are increasing, more national budgets are being balanced, more countries are returning to the gold standard, unemployment is less generally prevalent and careful observation indicates that a new stability is being achieved.

Recent studies by Professor Bowley and Sir Josiah Stamp indicate that annual per capita production in Great Britain is now at least equal to that attained in 1911. The older indices of production have attached great weight to the activity in shipbuilding, steel manufacturing and coal mining, and the unfavourable statistics of these industries have received so much attention that few have realised the increased productivity which has resulted from the establishment of new industries such as the manufacture of automobiles and radios. While statistics of these newer industries are not yet in satisfactory form, yet there is good reason to believe that the increased diversity of British production has more than counterbalanced the decreased activity in the older industries. Meanwhile, the general wholesale price level has fallen to a point, only 35 per cent. above that of 1913, and since this is a relatively lower level than that which prevails in most other countries, there is basis for hope that increasing exports may be anticipated.

As both France and Germany have flexible tariff systems, the process of reaching a final agreement has seemed somewhat long drawn out. Both nations are driving close bargains on each item under discussion, but substantial concessions are being made by both sides. The increased freedom of trade which will result from wise tariff arrangements between these countries should do a great deal to strengthen the industrial structure of both countries. Both the French and Belgian governments are pursuing the far-sighted policy of encouraging imports from Germany. Representatives of German firms selling small orders of hats or glassware in France, for instance, permit the purchaser to make his payments direct to the French government. The German firm receives its payments from the German government and the amount involved is credited to the reparations account by the Agent-General of Reparations. While this procedure was formerly used with reference to large scale commodity imports, its use in minor transactions is a new step and this does much to overcome antipathy to trade with Germany, since the purchaser feels that the payment is of direct assistance to his own government. This same procedure is carried out in Belgium.

Northern and western European countries now have a volume of external trade equivalent to that which existed in 1913, with the result that increased optimism as to the rapidity of economic recovery is becoming widespread. In Southern Europe, foreign trade has only recovered to a point where its present volume is about 75 per cent. as large as that of 1913. Intense feeling of nationalism, new and untried tariff barriers, and lack of established trade connections are retarding progress in this area. There are many seemingly small adjustments in trade relationships which eventually must be made. One such problem is that connected with transportation. While the older countries have satisfactory arrangements for the exchange and return of freight cars, no such agreements have been made in some of the newer countries. In some places, there are thousands of foreign freight cars which have not been returned because of railroad inefficiency or national antagonism. —Royal Bank of Canada Bulletin.

Air Vice-Marshal Sir W. Sefton Branner, Director of Civil Aviation, alighted at the London Air Station, Croydon, in mail week from Cologne in a special aeroplane of Imperial Airways, having completed a four-months tour of Europe, Asia, and Africa, during which he travelled more than 10,000 miles by air. The object had been to study the development of the Empire air line. Sir W. Sefton Branner said: "The linking up of the Empire by air has now become solely a question of technical organisation and adequate finance."

## SOVIET'S HAND.

WARRING FACTIONS OF HONAN.

THE PEKING DISCOVERIES.

Tsingtao, May 11.  
After a year's absence from China, I am again within the land, but only just within it. At this front-door entrance, with all nature combining to present a scene of beauty unsurpassed in any other part of the land, with the sea spelling "peace" in front, and the only wooded hills I have yet seen in China murmuring "peace" behind, it seems hard to realize that the land is seething with war, with distress and with discontent. In the former returns to China, I have ever been privileged to come in by Shanghai and to proceed to Honan, by the direct route. On this occasion, from home came a command not to pass Japan, and from Honan came a warning to proceed by way of Peking and Peking, and even then to be prepared to leave the province at a moment's notice. In fact, while still in Japan, awaiting the final word of authority from China, many old friends from Honan passed through Kobe on the homeward way, and in nearly every case the testimony was one of doubt, and uncertainty as to the future, but all with one accord agreed that in Honan itself there was none of the violent anti-foreignism, so evident in those provinces that already have fallen under the unhappy sway of Communism.

While still in central Japan, in casual conversation with those who had earlier talked with refugee missionaries from China, I learned that these refugees were divided into three categories. They were optimists, moderates and pessimists. The first group felt that they would be able to return to the field of their labours within two years, the moderates said that six years would see the land settled and ready to welcome the missionaries back again, but the latter group were confirmed in the view that their work in China was finished. Those whom I met from Honan came within the optimistic or super-optimistic class, for there are those who think that they may be back and working in the autumn.

Optimism Prevails.

I have now been into Honan and am able to say something from first-hand experience, and feel that perhaps the optimists have the best position to defend, though, if the people themselves were the final judges, and could decide off-hand, the super-optimists would seem to be correct. I found absolutely no sentiment against the foreign guests, either missionaries or others. I did, however, hear that there was a great deal of speculation as to the reasons that had caused the foreign friends to be called away from their work: this from the less well-informed part of the community. Among the better informed there was a feeling that very portentous things might happen in the not distant future, and that it were certainly better for the non-Chinese friends to be away

when these things come to pass. Even the very closest friends, of many years standing, were among those who, while welcoming me back among them, felt that the consular order to come away should be strictly obeyed, and this not more for our own welfare than for their peace of mind, and perhaps for their physical safety. This feeling of uncertainty as to what the future holds had actuated those, who could, to send their families away.

These precautions and this advice were taken and given for the following several reasons. The whole province has been for long, and is still filled with warring armies. Up until 1922, the year in which ex-governor Chao Ti was forced to flee at the approach of Gen. Feng Yu-shiang, the Honan soldiery never had exceeded two full divisions. In these latter months there have been as many as 30 divisions fighting in and feeding off the province. Until very recently the eastern, or Kweichow prefecture, was held by the infamous Sun Tien-ying, who looted and ruined Pochow in the early days of last year. He was the man who claimed to have been under the aegis of Marshal Wu Pei-fu, and whom it would seem, was rewarded by a high command, under Governor Chang Tsung-chang, in the allied armies. With the coming of the Fengtien troops, his power seems to have waned somewhat in the eastern area, but he is there and is still a menace to the peace of mind of the people of the community. Some say he has been moved down into the Honan-Anhui border districts.

The Influence of Feng.

The garrison commander of Kaifeng city was Gen. Mi Chen-piao, for long chief of the old Ih Chun, or long-haired, blue-uniformed troops, who formerly were Gen. Chao Ti's men and always were thought to be conservative and pro-Fengtien. After Marshal Feng Yu-shiang's reverses, many of his troops recruited in Honan wandered back and were enrolled in the Ih Chun thus adding something of a nationalist character to the old reactionary spirit of this conservative division. It was to this spirit that Gen. Chin was able to appeal when he determined, on the one hand, to disregard Marshal Wu Pei-fu and on the other hand to oppose the coming of the northern forces of Marshal Chang Tso-lin. Gen. Chin was astride the Peking-Hankow Railway, with headquarters at Chongchow. The Cantonese had entered the province at Wushengkuan, Marshal Wu Pei-fu was in his former garrison centre of Loyang, later to be joined by Liu Chen-hua, whose long siege of Sianfu only was raised on the approach of Marshal Feng's Kuomintang. Then came the Young Marshal, Chang Hsueh-liang, with his conquering force crossing the Yellow River north of Chongchow and Lanfeng.

The Russians in Kaifeng.

With so many warring armies within the province and with the possibility of rapid changes in the not distant future, it is little wonder that the minds of the people have been terribly troubled. Nor must it be forgotten that in the days of Governor Hu Ching-ih and his successor there was quite a company of Soviet Russians in Kaifeng city. At the height of their ascendancy in the later days of 1925 and the

## JAPANESE VESSEL FINED.

CAPTURED POACHING OFF PHILIPPINES.

A fine of two hundred pesos has been imposed by the collector of the bureau of customs upon the Japanese fishing boat, Tinzin Maru, following findings that the vessel had been fishing in Philippine waters without a permit from the bureau, in violation of the customs law.

The Tinzin Maru was one of the three Japanese fishing craft which were seized by the constabulary recently near the island of Calayan, in the Babuyan group. The collector of customs announced a hearing on June 10, in the case against the Taisho Maru, which the constabulary also took in custody at Calayan Island, on the same charge.

Another hearing will also take place in the case of the Kon Don Maru, the first boat seized.

spring of 1926, there were well over 40 in the city in the closest touch with Governor Yueh Wei-chien and his high officers and officials. The revelations of the documents found in Peking in April of this year are very interesting when one remembers the great troubles of the late months of 1925 in Kaifeng.

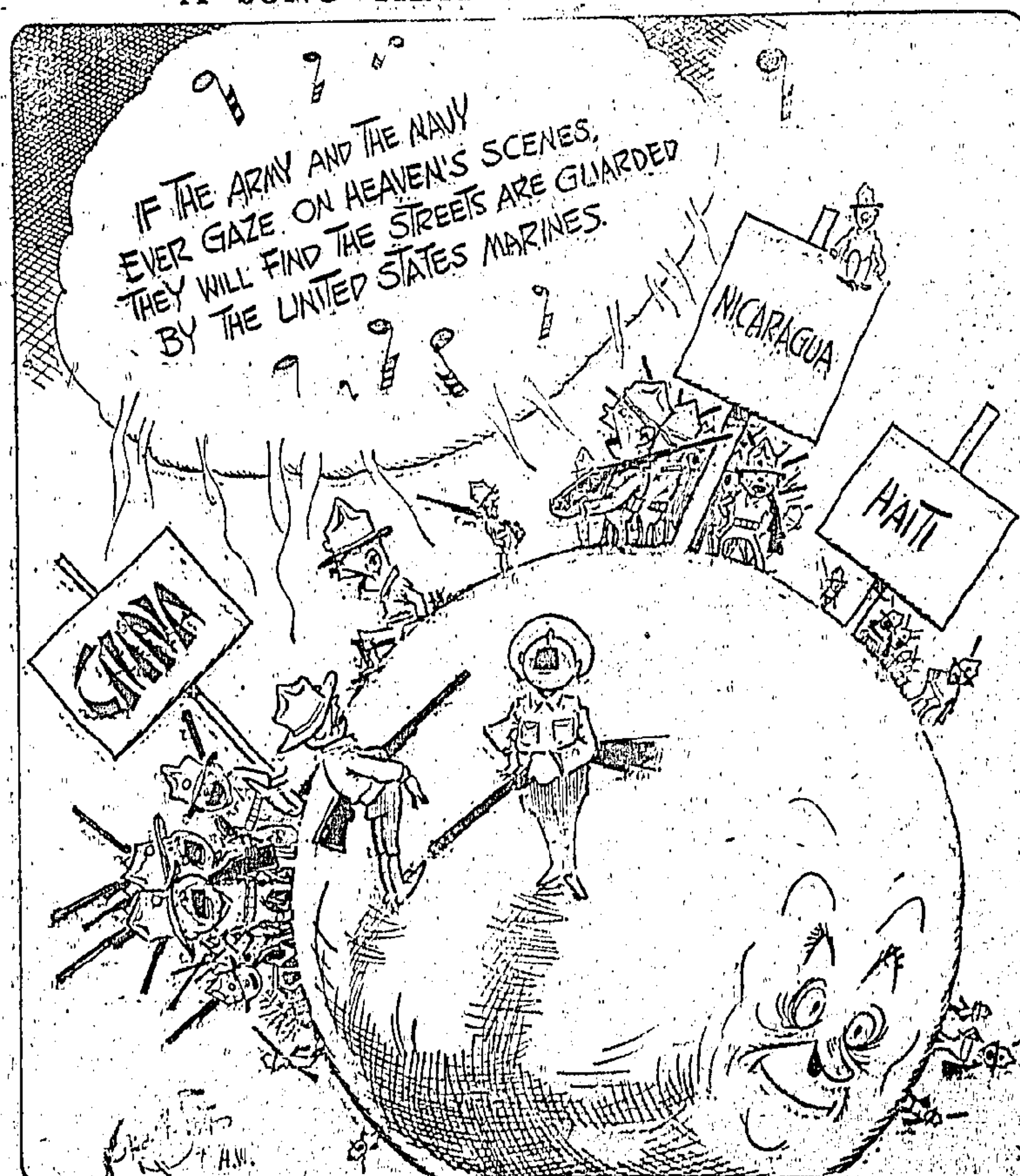
The particular document referred to made mention of G\$13,000 a month spent on propaganda in the city of Kaifeng. This is but confirmatory evidence of the thing that seemed so very evident at the time—the ascendancy of Soviet counsels in the affairs that troubled the province in those days. The student troubles, the anti-foreignism, communistic tendencies among the increasing labour unions, etc., all fall into the category of their activities. Now, however, the Young Marshal is in the Province and is very evidently desirous of winning approval from all and sundry by the definite improvements planned and being carried out. For a time, merchants were afraid to take down their shutters and do business, either in Kaifeng or in Chongchow. In the earlier days of the occupation fengpiao was enforced on the shops. That has all ceased in these later weeks, and now business is going on as usual and open investigations are being made by special officers, to find out if the people are suffering in any way from exactions of the soldiery.

Order Slowly Returning.

Attending the Marshal is his railway administration staff, which has brought a very considerable degree of order out of the earlier existing chaos. Now trains on the Peking-Hankow line are giving fair service, following pretty faithfully the time tables scheduled. There is a daily mail train up and another down and an express either way once a week. From my own experience I found that service in both branches was better and truer to schedule than similar service on the Tsin-Pu line.

On the Lung-Hai not much in the way of appreciation can be said, unless it be that it still has a kind of service, if not the day mentioned in the schedule, why then, the next.—N. C. Daily News correspondent.

## A SONG THAT MIGHT BE RIGHT.





## TRAFFIC OFFENCES.

TWO OFFICERS PROSECUTE:  
TWO PROSECUTED.

After an adjournment for one week during which time a further summons was served on each of the two defendants for similar traffic offences to those of last Monday, the cases in which Lieut. K. W. Beard, R.N., and Lieut. N. R. C. Munro, R.N., were prosecuted, were again mentioned before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court, yesterday. Lieut. Munro was absent.

It was explained by Lieut. Beard that Lieut. Munro was unable to appear and he had been asked to represent his brother officer.

The original charges against both defendants related to incidents in Peking Road on May 10, when it was alleged that the two officers were riding motor cycles at 9.10 p.m. without headlights in proper working order. The second count was for a similar breach in Peking Road at 11.05 p.m. on May 12.

Lieut. Beard pleaded guilty on behalf of himself and Lieut. Munro remarking that the lamp on his cycle had been newly filled with carbide and had been going out at intervals.

His Worship imposed fines of \$4 on each charge in respect of each defendant.

## Bus Passengers' Complaints.

The complaint that the bus refused to take them to their destination at Kowloon City was made to the Police by two officers, with the result that the driver in the employ of the China Motor Bus Company was charged before the Kowloon Magistrate with failing to complete the stipulated course.

The complainants, Lieut. J. Wood, R.N., and Flying Officer Melis, R.A.F., were stated to have asked the defendant's bus at Kowloon Ferry to proceed to Kowloon City. The indicator in the vehicle showed "Route Kowloon City."

Two officers were sitting in second class seats, the front being occupied, and on asking their fares, the conductor demanded twenty cents per person. Officers refused to pay the demanded and pointed to the fare.

On the journey to Hunghom, the conductor turned the indicator arriving at Hunghom, the officers were told that the bus was turning and was not going to Kowloon City. The two officers were obliged to wait for the bus before proceeding to their destination.

The defendant stated that he had instructions to travel by the Perry and Hunghom route as no concern of his to the indicator, that was the conductor's remark that it was an implied contract.

When the traffic inspector gave him his instructions, the defendant was negative and the journey for some two miles later in the traffic inspector at the defendant's bus indicator was 3, Hunghom. He then the defendant's instructions prior to the journey. The defendant, however, between Hunghom.

Inspector Smith he Bench that there was no recognised route from the Perry to Hunghom and vice versa. The defendant was fined \$10.

## Revenue Officer Cautioed.

Revenue Officer H. Pearse was charged before Mr. Schofield with driving a motor cycle on the Tai Po Road on May 16 without a rear light.

The defendant pleaded that it was not necessary for a rear light to illuminate his number plate. He had been driving a cycle in the Colony for the last four years without any rear light.

Sub-inspector Smith pointed out that the summons was for not having either the head light or rear light illuminated.

On examination of the application it was discovered that a mistake had been made in copying out the summons, which was accordingly amended.

R. O. Pearse admitted the new charge and stated that his battery had broken down. He was charging his lights from his dynamo and it was necessary therefore to maintain a certain speed before sufficient light could be supplied.

Certain repairs were being made to the roadway and in passing the defendant had to slow down, resulting in his lights becoming dim. Being on Government duty and needing the cycle for the following day to discharge further duties, he could not leave the vehicle in the Territories.

His Worship said that under the circumstances a caution would meet the case.

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## GLOOMY PICTURE.

TIENTSIN CONCESSION'S  
FUTURE.

Mr. R. F. Hall of Hankow writes to the Editor of the Peking and Tientsin Times as follows:

Sir,—I do not pretend to be able to take on the heavyweights in a discussion as to the advisability or otherwise of handing over the British Concession Tientsin to a Sino-British Council or other such body, but as one who has lived in Hankow before and after the "handing over," who has also lived in Tientsin, I should like to ask Tientsinners before they make their decision (if they get a chance to decide), to try and imagine the following conditions ruling in Tientsin; an actual counterpart for each of which exists in Hankow under our precious Sino-British (with the emphasis on the Sino) Council.

1. Chinese Flag flying over Gordon Hall.

2. R. M. C. Debentures unsaleable.

3. Every British woman left Tientsin.

4. Every British man that can be spared sent away.

5. All foreign Municipal Servants, including police and Fire Brigade sacked.

6. Pilferage so uncontrollable that ships take no responsibility after cargo is over ships side.

7. Auctions of stolen cargo taking place on the Bund in full view of the police.

8. Cenotaph in damaged condition, chains and bronzes stolen, and being used as resting place for coolies and boarding for posters.

9. Victoria Gardens monopolized as sledge ground for coolies and works.

10. Beggars and the loudest of coolies sleeping on the pavement in Victoria Road, and such places as K. M. A. and Chartered Bank steps converted into dormitories.

11. Processions through the concession of daily occurrence.

12. Meetings held all day long, for preference in footpaths.

13. Foreign newspapers suppressed (Is this pro or con? Ed.)

14. Banks closed.

15. Silver withdrawn from circulation.

16. Sanitary conditions being rapidly remodelled in line with those in force in the native city.

17. Racing meeting held under "protection" of the military and percentage of sweeps and pari-mutuel taken for "permission to hold meetings."

18. Racing finally abandoned.

19. Pickets, soldiers and coolies wandering at will over Race and Country Club grounds.

20. Chinese using Race and Country Clubs riding track, premises, ball room, (and doubtless the swimming bath if it were open), ordering drinks and paying cash. (To order them out would amount to the same as asking them to picket the club).

21. Interest on mortgages in arrears and no way of enforcing payment or foreclosing.

22. Tremendous depreciation of all property values.

23. Jardine's Import, Export and Engineering departments closing down, staff and stocks sent to Shanghai, and other firms acting in similar manner.

24. Marine Insurance booming, as enormous trade being done in Personal Effects to Europe.

If such conditions as the above appear to Tientsinners, it should be a very easy matter to have them put into force.

It should be borne in mind that before we were "handed over" we were treated to some very honeyed words, and there was much talk of safeguards etc., but there has been mighty little evidence of these since.



A kiss is one thing a fellow takes, but he always glad to give back.

## THEIR MONEY BACK.

INTERESTING CASE REGARD-  
ING CONTRACTS.

In the Summary Court yesterday afternoon, before the acting Puisne Judge, Mr. P. Jacks, the Wo Hing firm, 8 Kwai Hing Street, gunny bag dealers, sued Messrs. Kato and Co., Ltd., 34 Queen's Road Central for \$450, as being money received by the defendants for the plaintiffs.

Mr. W. D. Owen was for the plaintiffs, and Mr. L. D. Turner defended.

Mr. Owen said, in outlining the circumstances, that the money which had been paid to the defendants by the plaintiffs, had been under duress, and in connexion with a contract.

Mr. Turner, at this point, said that duress had never been alleged before, and if his case would be prejudiced by such argument, he would ask for an adjournment at a later stage.

Continuing, Mr. Owen went on to say that an agreement for the sale of certain goods was made between the parties in April, 1927, and the delivery of these goods became due on April 20th. The plaintiffs paid for them but delivery was refused because the defendants alleged that the plaintiffs' delay with respect to another contract had caused certain other goods to arrive late with consequent damages and they asked for compensation of \$45 before delivering the goods which had been paid for.

## Compensation Paid.

Eventually, under protest, the plaintiffs paid the \$450 demanded, as had they not obtained the goods in respect of the later contract, they would have suffered a severe financial loss, as they were under contract to supply the goods to another firm.

Mr. Owen argued that the defendants had no right to effect duress, and it was for that money for which they were suing.

Mr. Turner admitted the amount of the claim, and that a receipt was given for the money, after which he said there were two defences.

The first was that even supposing the plaintiffs were not liable to pay the \$450 under another contract, they had in effect paid that \$450 as a consideration for obtaining delivery of the goods under the April contract. The plaintiffs had paid the money because they considered it was worth it. They accepted a receipt for it, and now they were asking for their money back.

Dealing with the second defence, he said the parties agreed that damages had been incurred by the defendants, owing to the fault of the plaintiffs, and the plaintiffs offered \$100 as compensation, but this offer was refused. Later, however, the sum of \$450 as compensation was agreed to.

## Why Money was Paid.

Giving evidence, the plaintiff said he paid the money because it would save the trouble of his legal remedy which was his being sued by his customers, and then himself suing the defendants. A further consideration was that if there had been a delay in the delivery, there might have been a drop in the market, with a resultant greater loss.

Mr. Turner said he understood that Mr. Owen had two more witnesses to call, and it was extremely unlikely that the case for the plaintiff would finish unless "His Lordship" wished to sit until five o'clock or after, and suggested an adjournment. He added that the case was likely to be a lengthy one, as there would probably be considerable legal argument.

Mr. Owen offered no objection, and His Lordship adjourned the case until Wednesday, June 15th.

## PROPERTY SALE.

NO BIDS FOR CASTLE  
ROAD LOT.

Property situated at Castle Road was put up for sale yesterday by Mr. E. V. M. R. de Sousa at the China Auction Rooms, and failing to draw bids from any one of the dozen prospective customers present, was withdrawn.

The lot consisted of the Remaining Portion of Subsection 2 of Section A of Inland Lot No. 503, and the Remaining Portion of Section B of Inland Lot No. 589, with the buildings thereon known as No. 12 Castle Road, Victoria. These properties are held for terms of 999 years from November 1865 and June 1869 respectively, having an area of about 2,127 square feet at an annual Crown Rental of \$2.25.

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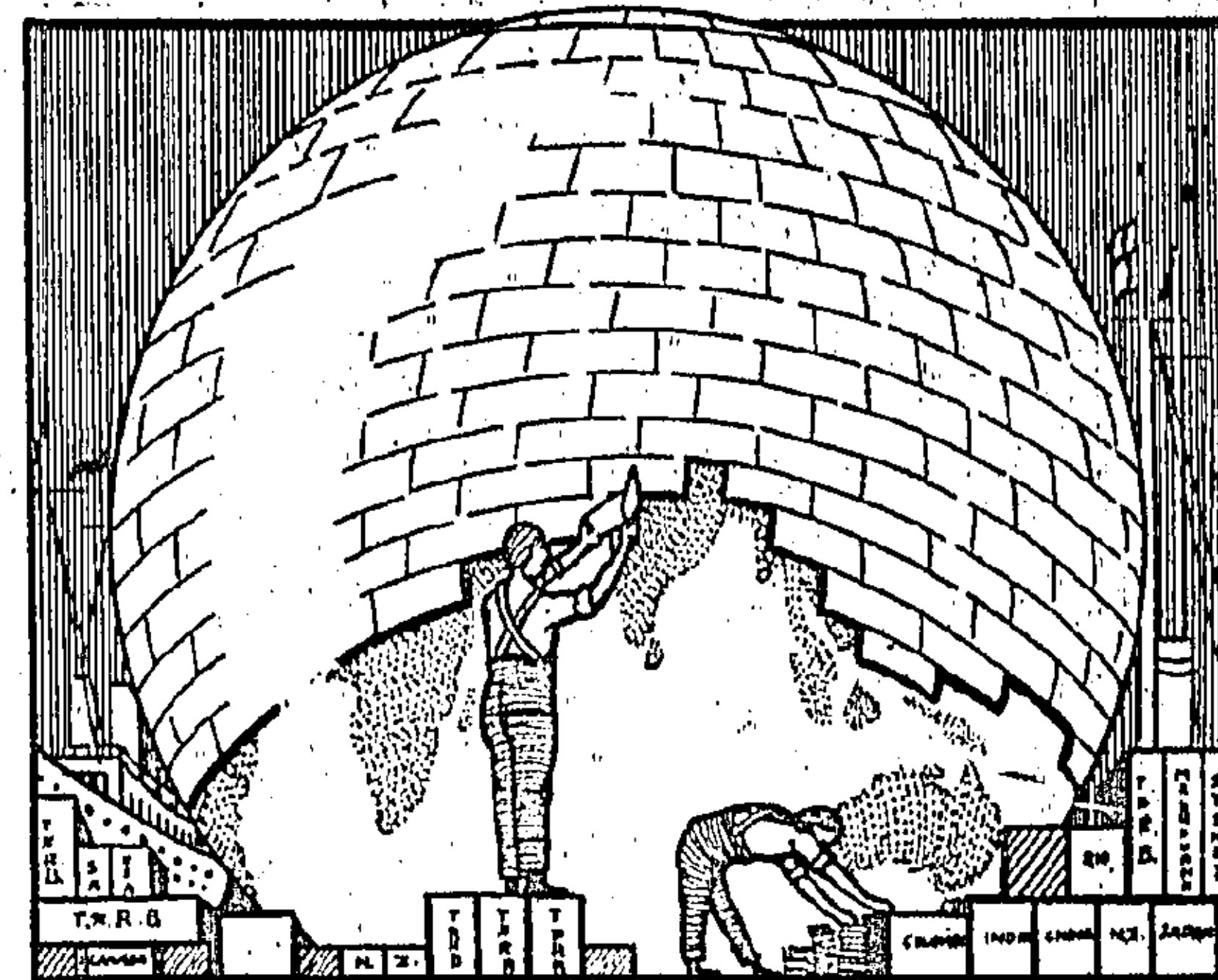
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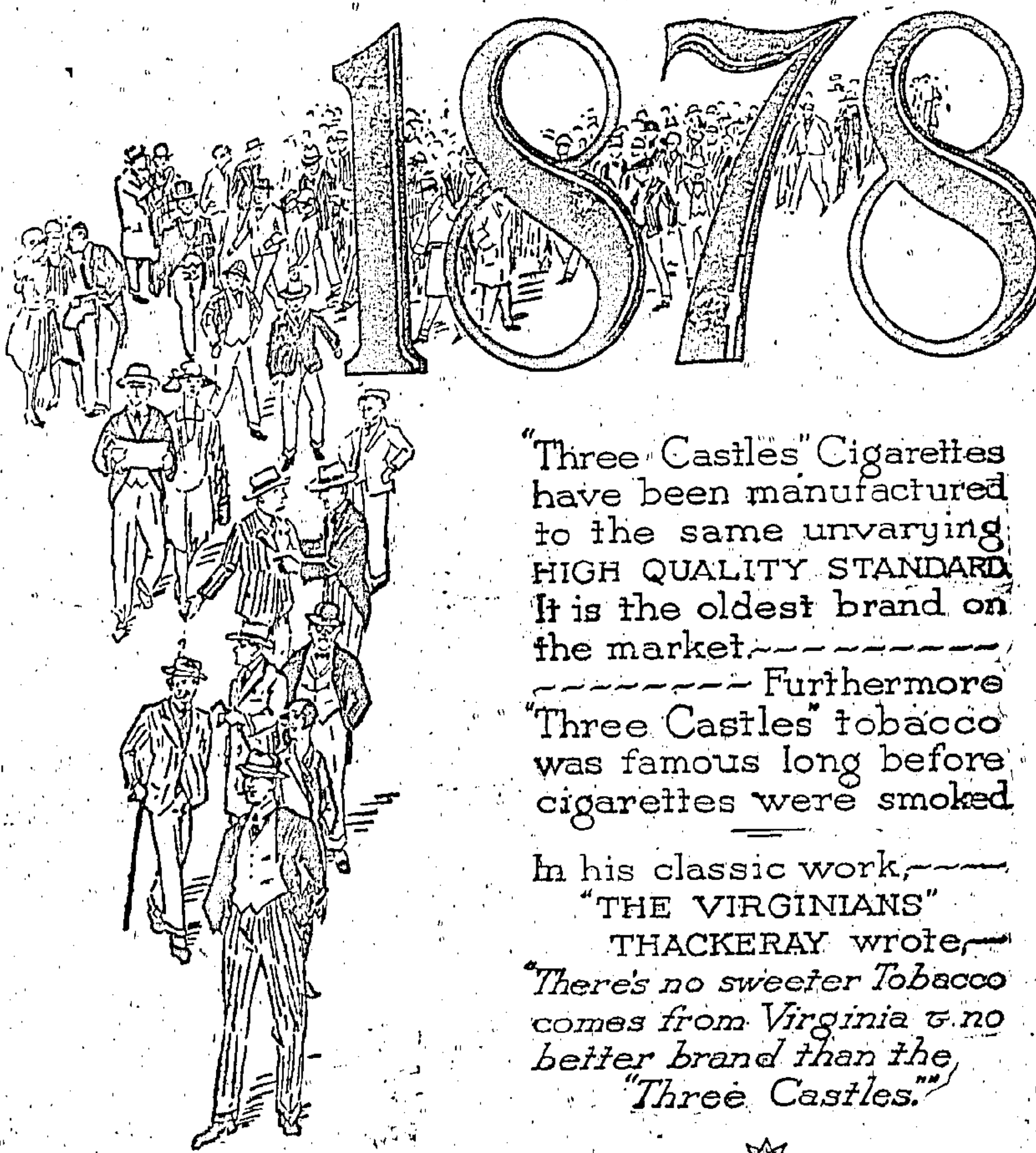
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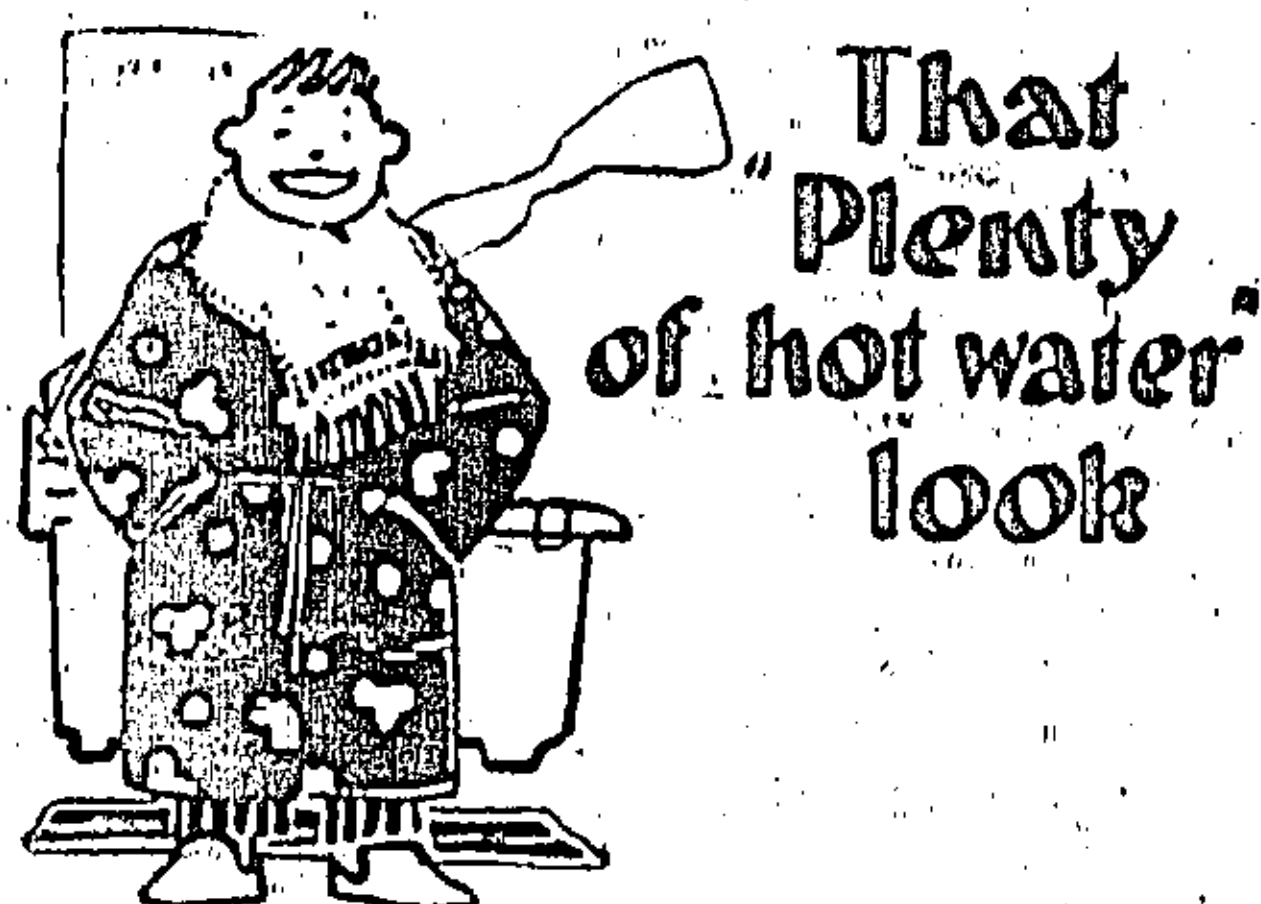
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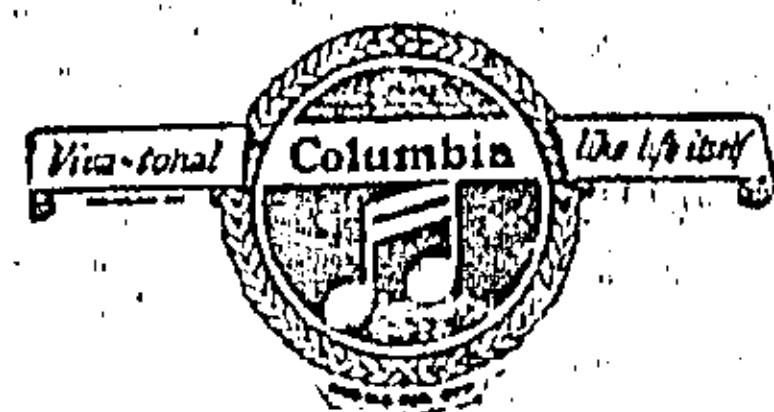
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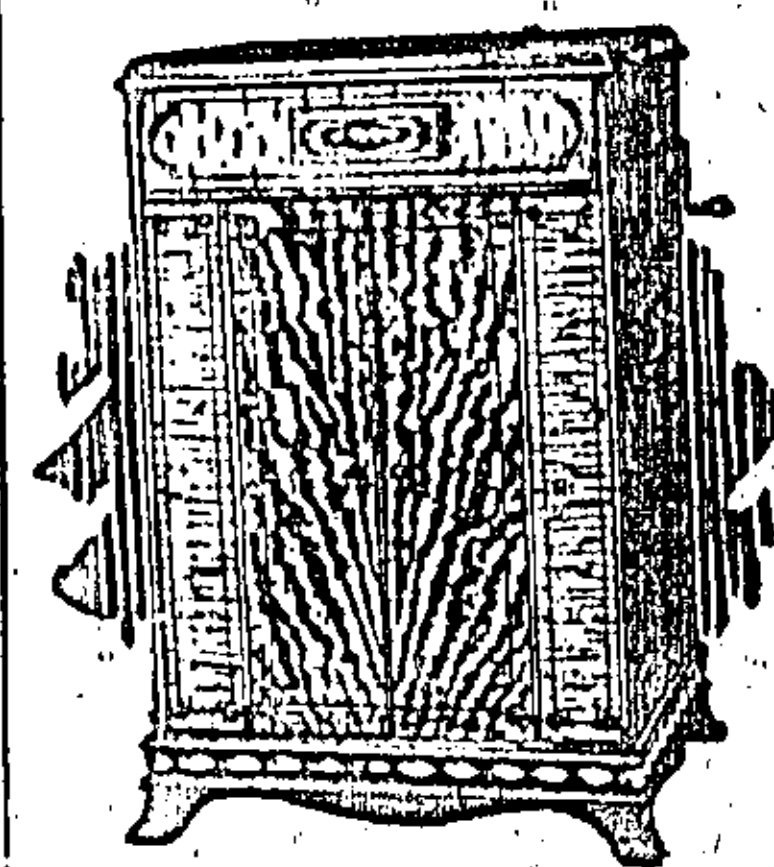
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## PRESENTATION.

FAREWELL TO MR. AND MRS.  
COUSLAND.

At the conclusion of the morning service at Union Church Hongkong, on Sunday, the congregation assembled in the Lecture Hall to bid farewell to Mr. and Mrs. A. S. D. Cousland, and the opportunity was taken to present a parting gift of a cut glass and silver inkstand, suitably inscribed.

In making the presentation, Mr. E. Banfield Cubey, Chairman of the Committee, mentioned that Mr. Cousland had been connected with Union Church for more than twenty years. Nineteen years ago he was Superintendent of the Sunday School and he had also served in the offices of deacon, member (and Chairman) of the Committee of Management, and as treasurer. It was in the office of Treasurer that Mr. Cousland's most arduous work had been done, for the finance of the Church involved a considerable amount of work. Speaking on behalf of their best thanks to Mr. Cousland for all he had done and to assure him of their grateful appreciation. Not less would they associate Mrs. Cousland with them, for she too had been a very willing and assiduous helper. Most of them looked forward to the day when they would say goodbye to the Colony, and he congratulated Mr. and Mrs. Cousland on the attainment of that desire in the heyday of life. They had said goodbye to Mr. Cousland on a previous occasion when health demanded a change, but they were pleased that this time there were no such regrets. They were going, he understood, to settle in the "better half" of Great Britain, where they would have the joy of uniting with their children in real home life.

"We all sincerely trust that much happiness may be their portion," concluded Mr. Cubey, "and in handing over this token of remembrance from friends at Union Church I would only add we wish Mr. and Mrs. Cousland and their family long life and the richest blessings that the Almighty Father can bestow."

Mr. Cousland suitably responded on behalf of himself and Mrs. Cousland, remarking that he took the form of the presentation as a hint to keep in touch and maintain the many friendships established in the course of the years he had been connected with Union Church.

## CANTON OUTRAGE.

ANOTHER STEAMER FIRED  
ON FROM BANKS.

Following the firing upon the a.s. Lungshan of the Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Company, which resulted in an apology and the payment of compensation for damage, yet another outrage of a similar nature is reported, the a.s. Kinshan being fired on, when proceeding to Canton, yesterday. On this occasion, the excuse of endeavouring to enter the port before time cannot be advanced, as the passage of the vessel was made during daylight hours.

The Kinshan left here at 8 a.m. yesterday morning for Canton and in the ordinary course of events would have berthed at about 2.15 p.m. At 1.40 p.m., when passing up the Front Beach above Whampoa, she broke out from the banks, and at least three missiles struck the ship. Two of these passed across the bridge and one struck the hull on the port side, fortunately doing no harm to passengers.

It is learned from those who have had an opportunity of seeing the damage inflicted, that the bullets used cannot have been other than dum-dums, the spread and flattening of their impact being identical with projectiles of this nature. Passengers state that the firing was carried out by men who were on the banks and under no orders from superior officers, so far as could be observed.

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Information was given of the occurrence to the Senior British Naval Officer at Canton, who immediately made enquiries and gave instructions to all vessels to anchor until further orders were given.

Under the circumstances, the Taishan, due to arrive here at 9 p.m. last evening, anchored in the vicinity of the Macao Forts until 4 p.m. Further instructions were then received that it would be safe for her to proceed, which she did, arriving here shortly after 9.30 p.m.

## MAY 30TH.

SHANGHAI DEMONSTRATION  
SUPPRESSED.

Shanghai, May 30.

There was no trouble here to-day save for minor demonstrations on Nanking Road this morning. These were dispersed by the police and military patrols with batons.

The French barriers were closed on account of a meeting in the native city. Nationalist troops preserved order and anti-Foreign posters on the French trams were removed.

All troops were ready for emergencies but were not needed. The volunteers were standing by but were not called on.

## Flags Half-Masted.

Shanghai, May 30.

To-day the second anniversary of the famous Nanking Road incident passed off quietly. Kuomintang flags were flown at half-mast and at 2.30 p.m., which was the hour of the shooting, guns from the Chinese forts boomed announcing a three minutes' silence in memory of the "victims."

Commemorative meetings were held in the native city but were without incident.

Inside the Settlements there were no anti-foreign demonstrations.—*Reuter.*

## KING'S BIRTHDAY.

CATERING FOR BREAKFASTS.

General local interests have been aroused in this year's Naval and Military Parade in connexion with the King's Birthday, and it is expected that the unusually impressive display will attract a record crowd to Happy Valley.

The Jockey Club grandstands will be open to the general public, and refreshments will be provided by Messrs. Lane, Crawford, Ltd. at the usual early charges. In view of the early hour at which the parade takes place, arrangements have been made for serving breakfasts, an enterprising innovation which will doubtless appeal to many people. It will therefore be possible to leave home quite early in order to secure a good position from which to view the pageant, and partake of breakfast whilst waiting. It should be noted however, that orders for breakfasts must be booked before the day in question. The charge will be one dollar per cover.

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## MOTHER IN LAW.

HUSBAND GIVES WIFE BLACK  
EYES.

Appearing before Mr. E. W. Hamilton with two black eyes, a woman residing at No. 14 Matheson Street gave evidence against her husband and mother-in-law for assault.

It seems that the husband and wife had been getting on amicably together until the arrival of the mother-in-law on the scene, a month ago. She came from Canton and as soon as she arrived the husband separated from the wife, as there was no room in the house for both women.

On the night in question, the wife went to her husband's house to ask for her allowance. A few words from the mother-in-law soon poisoned the son's mind and instead of giving his wife any money he dealt out black eyes and thick ears. The woman in her evidence yesterday said that after the assault she could not see anything and also that she was bleeding profusely from the mouth and nose.

The Magistrate remanded the case for 24 hours in order that the parties might try and settle matters before the S.C.A., adding: "It is very silly to have quarrels in the family. I will hear what you all have to say to-morrow, but I hope you will be able to talk peace with the S.C.A."

## MANILA PLOT.

SOVIET AGENTS ACTIVE  
IN PHILIPPINES.

Manila, May 30.

Admiral Kittelle, commanding officer at Cavite, confirming the reports of plots to blow up Cavite ammunition dump, said Soviet agents had been active in the Philippines. Recent seizures from the Soviet Embassy at Peking had revealed plans here.

He said that precautions were immediately taken to prevent trouble and all Legionnaire members working in the Cavite yard were immediately ordered to resign from the Legion or be discharged. He said the plot had also been revealed to him by loyal Filipino labourers. The total Filipino personnel in the navy yard is 2,600.—*Reuter.*

## MAYERS GETS OFF.

COURT SATISFIED WITH  
NOVEL PLEA.

London, May 30.

At the conclusion of the trial in camera at Old Bailey of Mr. Colin Mayers the Lord Chief Justice admitted to the press and stated that the prosecution had withdrawn the more serious charges and that Mayers had pleaded guilty to the offences under the Official Secrets Act.

His Lordship was satisfied that Mayers, in retaining the plans, had no purpose prejudicial to the safety

## NEW YACHT FLEET.

SIX NEW BOATS BUILT IN  
MANILA.

Manila's new fleet of Star Yacht is practically completed. The boats now under construction at the Leung Yee slipways in Pandacan were expected to be ready to compete in the race scheduled for yesterday. They are owned by the following: No. 1—Captain Norman Cook. No. 2—Aubrey Ames, Walter Ma shall, "Spoke" Hayward. No. 3—Yachau and Company. No. 4—Morales. No. 5—M. J. Osoorio. No. 6—Bert Simmie, "Bill" A. plegate.

A seventh boat is being built at the Koppel Irea Works for A. H. Bishop. With J. A. Thomas' Star, Messing eight Stars were entered, as well as two or three smaller yachts.

The Stars are all one design craft. Four of those building at Pandacan have already been painted, and even the slipways ready for launching. The Valmas, sail-maker, will rig them. The other two are nearly finished and will be launched before the end of the week.

All are built according to Star specifications, native woods, however, being used except for the mast and beams, which are of Oregon pine. Cast iron fin keels weighing about 850 pounds have been used, all being cast from the same pattern. The boats are Marconi-rigged and are practically non-capsizeable, though in case of upset, water-tight bulkheads fore and aft will keep them afloat.

## WILFUL DAMAGE.

CHARGE OF MALICE AGAINST  
MILL WORKER.

Two Chinese appeared before Major C. Willson yesterday afternoon on a charge of feloniously and maliciously damaging, with intent to destroy, machinery belonging to the Tai Shing Paper Mills at Aberdeen.

Mr. H. Lo prosecuted. It transpired from the evidence that on May 18 two coolies who had no business whatever to tamper or meddle with any machinery in the establishment were responsible for the breaking down of a roller, doing damage to the extent of \$500.

It appears that there had been a strike at the mill during which more than half the workers left but recently a majority returned amongst whom were the two defendants.

At the commencement of the case, Mr. Lo indicated that the case against the second defendant was not very strong and asked the Magistrate to discharge the man. After hearing the evidence, Mr. Willson also discharged the man as he was not satisfied the damage was connected in any way with the strike at the mill. He said the owners could of course seek redress through civil proceedings if they wished.

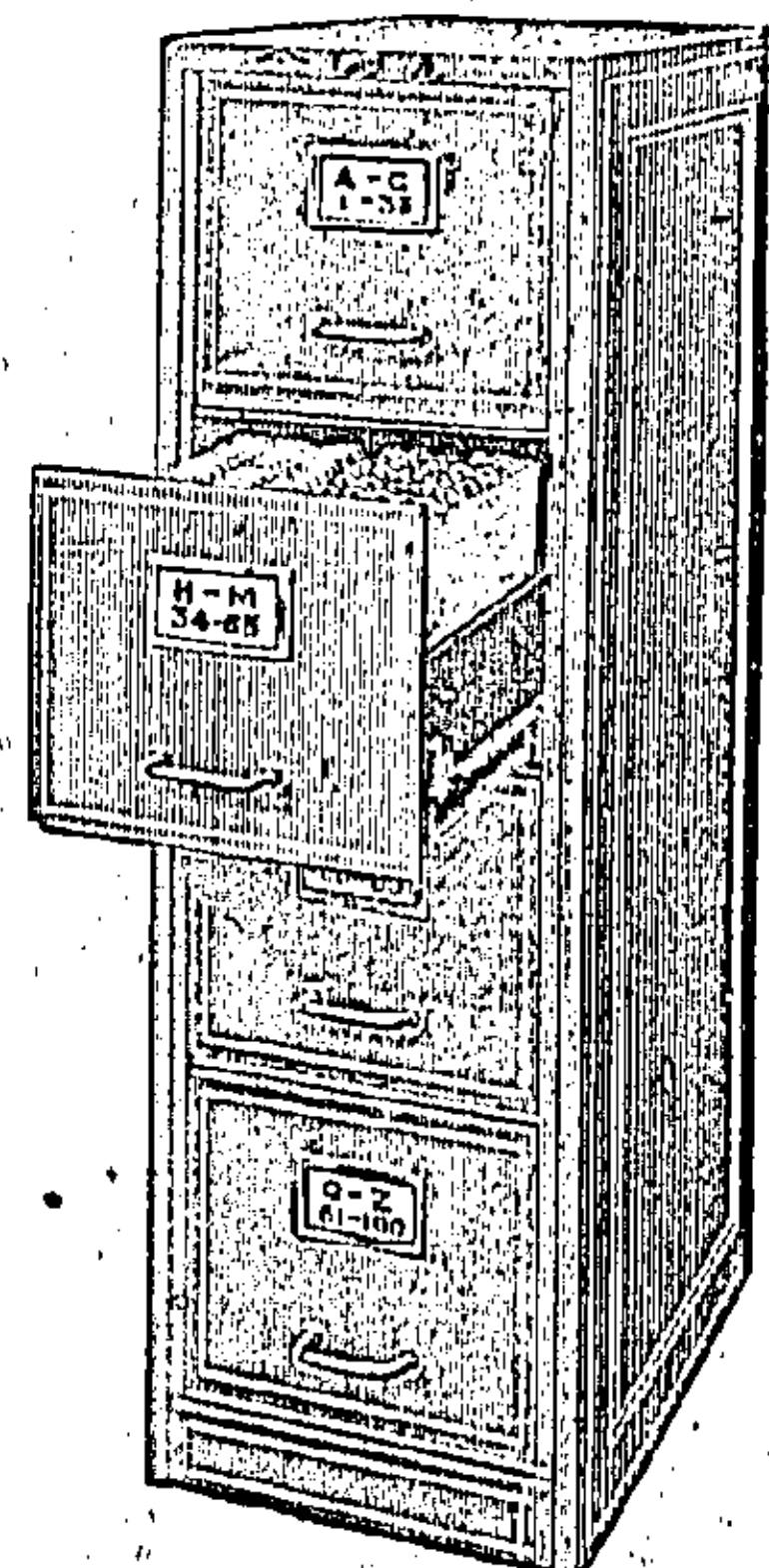
and interest of the state, his object apparently being to improve submarines for the British Government.

He bound over Mayers on his own recognisances.—*Reuter.*

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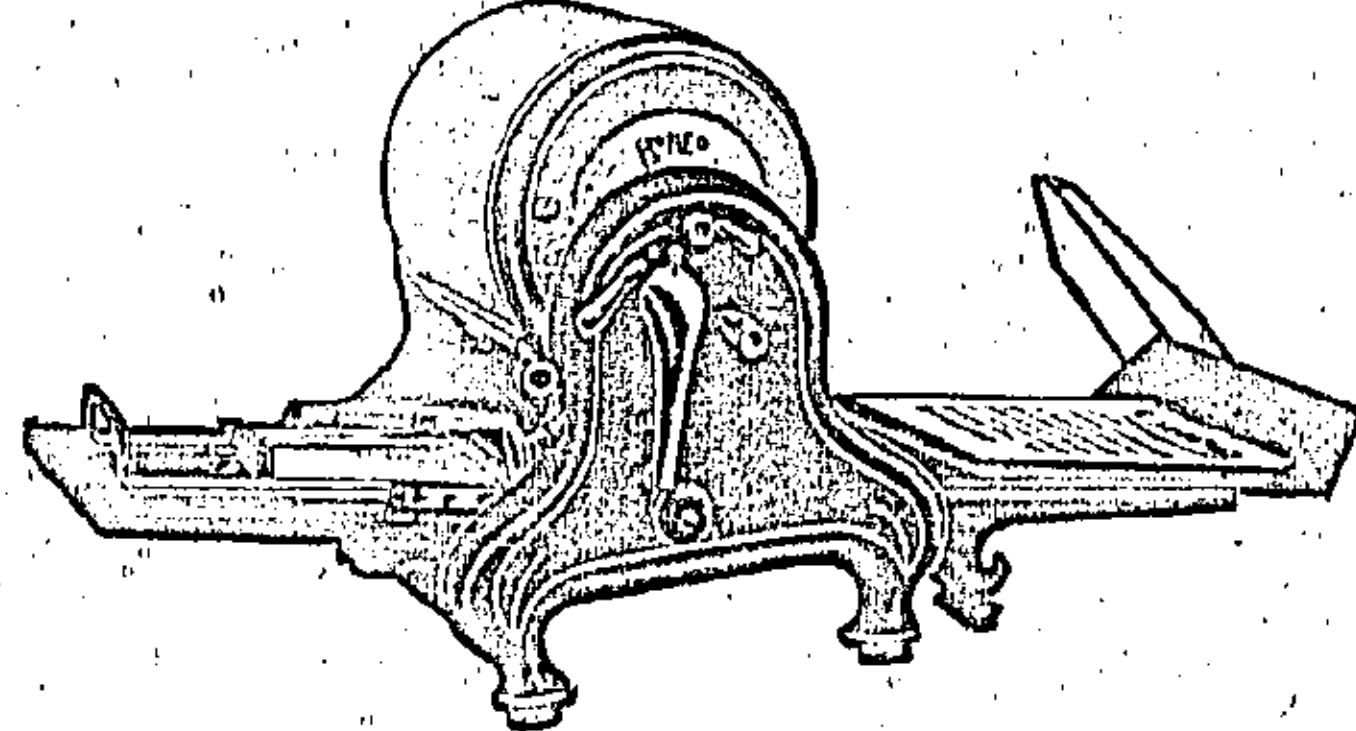


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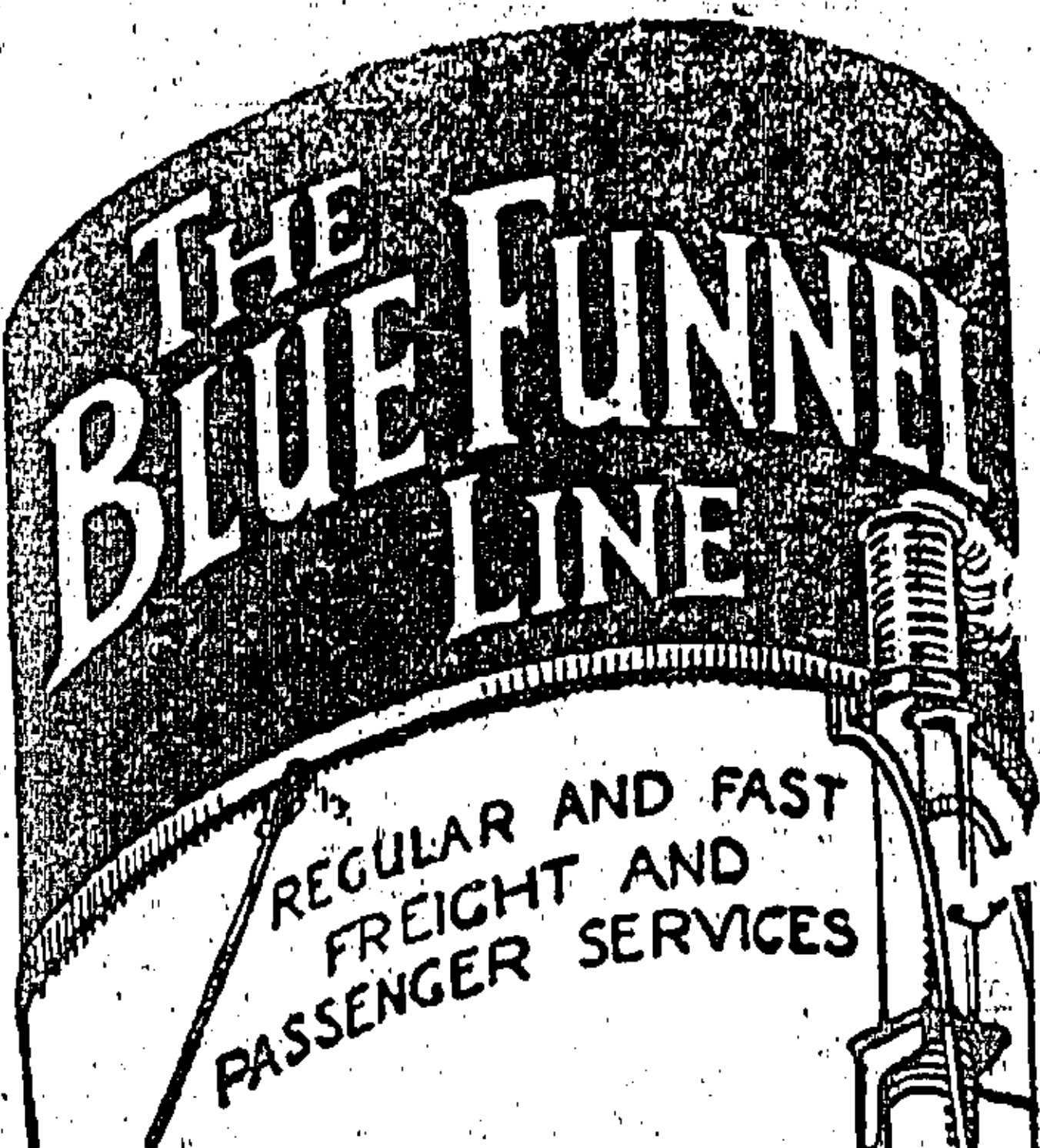
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| July 27       | Seattle       | Mauretania                | Sept. 3      | C'brg. S'mptn Sept. 9  |
| Aug. 2        | San Francisco | Mauretania                | Sept. 6      | P'mth. C'brg Sept. 12  |
| Aug. 10       | Seattle       | Olympic                   | Sept. 17     | C'brg. S'mptn Sept. 23 |
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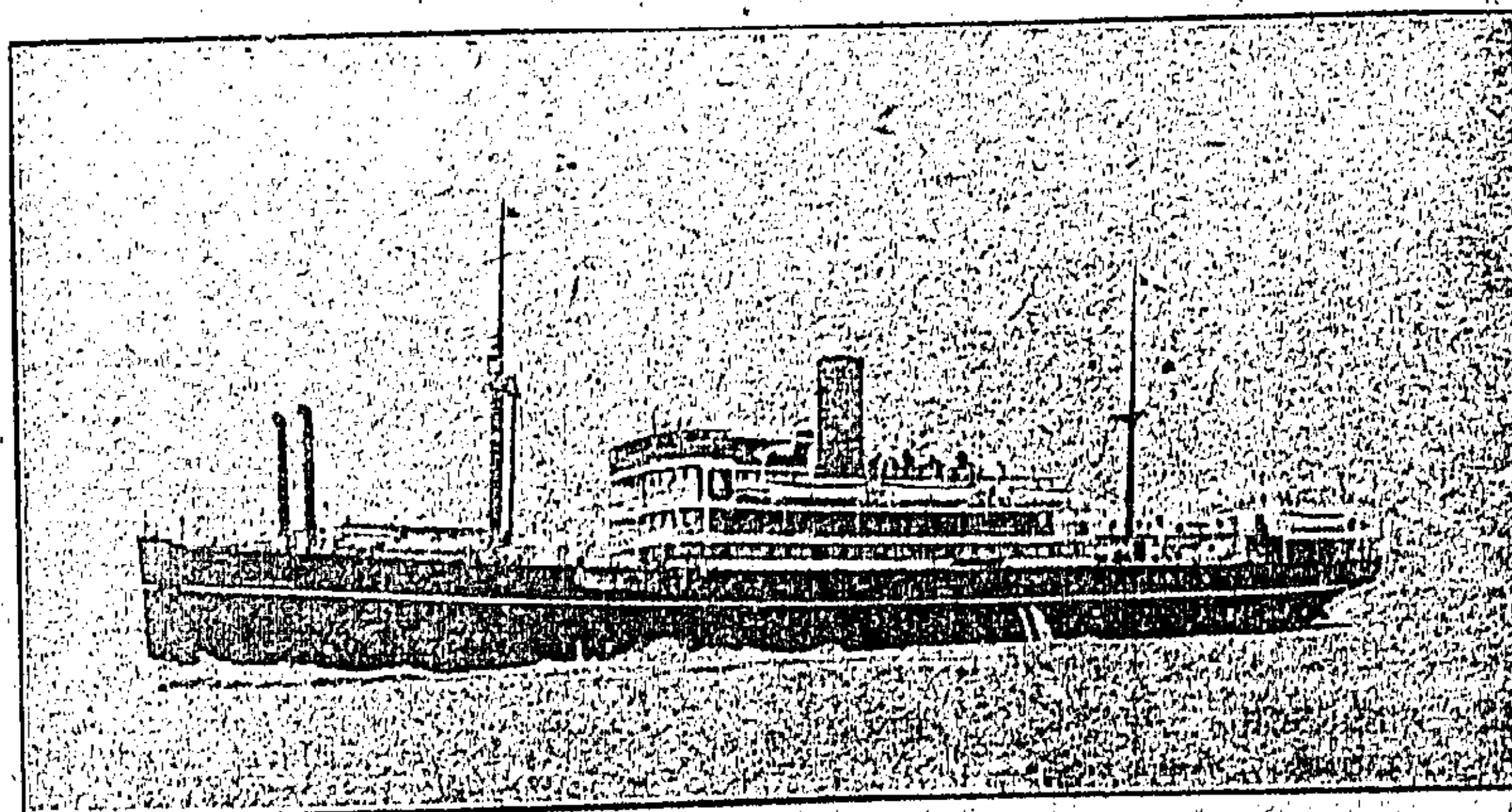
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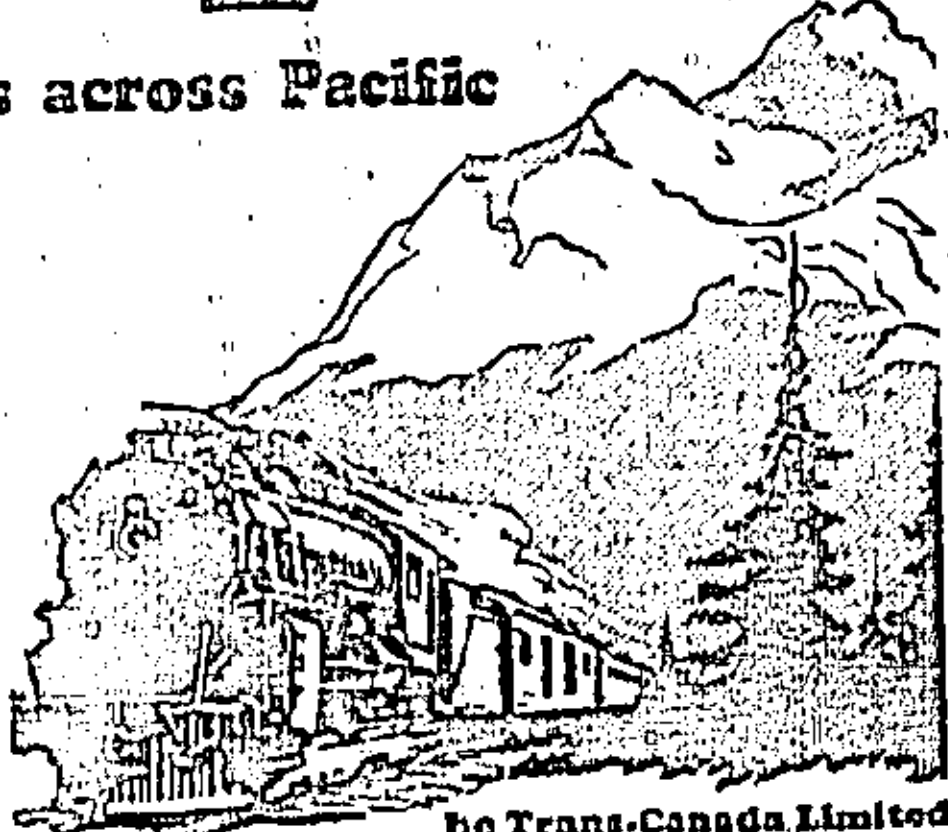
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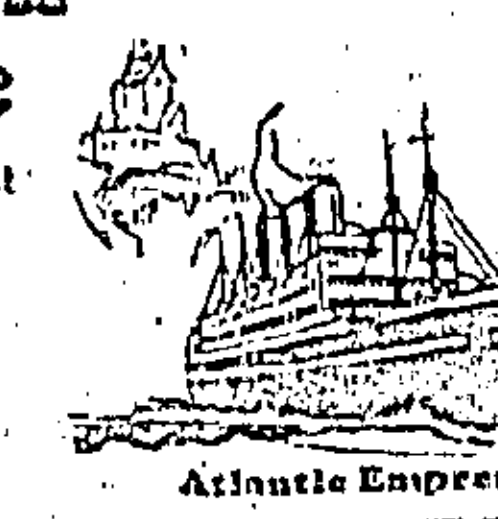
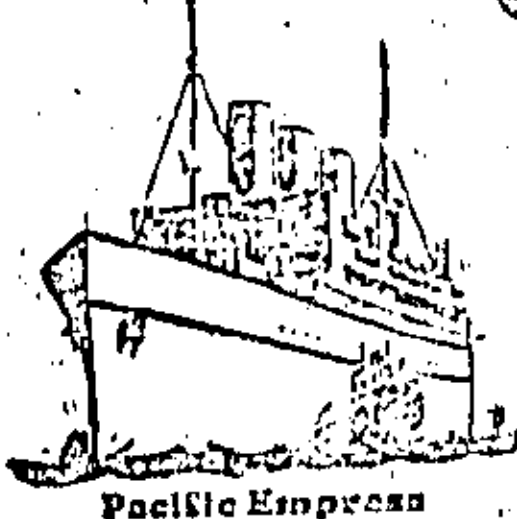
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REVERSE.

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per cent. to Shanghai silver cur-  
rency. On the 12th inst. this dis-  
count increased to 15 per cent.  
while it is definitely known that  
business was done at a discount  
of 18 per cent. later in the week.  
It was further reported that one  
large transaction had gone through  
at 20 per cent. but this, if correct,  
is believed to have been excep-  
tional.

Throughout the week feeling  
of lack of confidence in the  
administration continued to grow  
till to-day, upon reports that  
hostile troops were approaching  
from three distinct directions, it  
culminated in panic.

Such was the desire to convert  
irredeemable paper currency in  
some article likely to be of a more  
enduring nature that there was a  
rush to buy stamps at the post  
office. The post office responded  
by limiting the amount which  
any one person might purchase to  
\$20 subsequently reducing it to  
\$10 and then as the rush continued  
to \$5. Meantime the shops and  
merchants who for some time had  
been very unwilling sellers for  
payment in Nationalist currency  
became more so throughout the day  
till by the evening it was practical-  
ly impossible to buy anything at all  
and it might then be said that all  
business, wholesale and retail,  
had been brought to a standstill.

## FOOCHOW PROBLEMS.

Education and Politics.

Foochow, May 21.—The educa-  
tional situation in Foochow con-  
tinues to be one of interest, fraught  
with perplexity and uncertainty.  
In government circles the new  
Commissioner of Education has  
arrived under appointment from  
the Nanking government: a Ph.D.  
from Columbia, and a man who is  
reported to be inclined towards  
the radical, and favoured by cer-  
tain radical elements here. But  
there is so much opposition to his  
accepting office that there is still  
a question as to whether or not  
the local people will defy the  
Nanking government in the matter.

Registration is still the outstand-  
ing question in mission educa-  
tional circles. The University  
and the Anglo-Chinese College (a  
Middle School) have both gone  
into the Commission form of gov-  
ernment; in both cases the com-  
mission consists of a member of  
the faculty (the senior Chinese  
member of the staff), a member  
just added to the staff in order to  
take part in this administration,  
and a third member not on the  
staff of the institution.

## Insubordination.

The Union Theological School  
closed over a matter of insubor-  
dination, on the part of the  
students. This arose from a re-  
quest that the students be allowed  
to have the Monday Memorial  
Service in place of the regular  
chapel; the request was referred  
to the faculty, who passed it to  
the Board of Managers; the Board  
deferred action until next week  
when it could get a full attendance  
at the meeting. The students re-  
fused to await further for their  
answer, and their attitude was  
such that the faculty found no  
alternative but to close for the  
rest of this term, at least.

## ON INTERPORTS.

(Continued from Page 1.)

themselves, performing against  
local exponents of the game who  
are content to be willing sacrifices.  
But when our new Governor talks  
of sending Malayan teams in all  
branches of sport—"from pitch and  
toss to manslaughter"—on gay  
journeys to Ceylon on the one  
side and as far as Yokohama on the  
other we are afraid he is asking too  
much. To the men who might  
compose such teams the first duty  
in life is to do their jobs of work.  
Sport to them is an incidental, and  
save on very special occasions, say  
once in three years, it should not  
take them beyond the confines of  
Malaya. Employers of labour are,  
on the whole, reasonable beings.  
They like to see their young men  
keen on games because it makes for  
health and fitness, interest in their  
residence in a tropical climate and  
contentment with their lot. But  
there is a limit to all things and  
they cannot continually be financing  
indirectly sporting jaunts abroad.  
For this reason it is invariably the  
case that the cricket team coming  
from Hongkong to Malaya, or vice  
versa, is not composed of the best  
talent available. Some hardhearted  
employer of a brilliant batsman or  
a deadly bowler is sure to have  
other views. In the matter of fact  
parlance of the lower middle classes,  
firms are not put here for their  
health, and their fervent prayer is,  
"The Lord save us from a sports-  
man Governor."

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MALAY SMUGGLERS FIRE  
ON LAUNCH.

## TRAGEDY NEAR SINGAPORE.

Singapore, May 24.—The tragic  
death of a European officer was the  
outcome of an exciting encounter  
between rubber smugglers and a  
restriction launch in the neighbour-  
hood of Batu Pahat yesterday. The  
Lalat, under the command of Mr.  
Wakefield, was patrolling at Tan-  
jong Tohor, and sighted and eventu-  
ally captured a boat manned by  
three Malays, and containing a  
quantity of rubber.

The Commander of the Lalat gave  
orders for the other boat to be tied  
up behind, and this was done, but  
the smugglers opened fire from be-  
hind on the revenue launch, and kill-  
ed Mr. Wakefield.

There are no further details yet  
available, but it is reported that the  
smugglers are missing, and it is  
rumoured that they were either  
drowned or killed by the crew of  
the Lalat.

The deceased Officer had been in  
the Preventive Service for about  
fifteen months having previously  
been employed in the Straits Steam-  
ship Company in the Renong and  
the Penang. The patrol areas are  
changed from time to time and last  
month he had been on the Tulo  
Pisang area changing over to Tan-  
jong Tohor this morning.

The sad news was sent to Singa-  
pore by the Assistant British Ad-  
visor at Batu Pahat and arrange-  
ments were made for the funeral  
which will take place this morning  
at 9 o'clock at Bidadari.

Mr. Wakefield, who a young man  
of about 30, was married, and the  
greatest sympathy will be felt for  
his wife, who was staying at Batu  
Pahat when the tragedy occurred.

THE PHILIPPINES  
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CALLS ON SIR CECIL  
CLEMENTI.

Governor General Wood, of the  
Philippines, paid a visit to H.E.  
the Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi,  
K.C.M.G.) at Government House  
this morning.

He was accompanied by Major  
Barton Y. Reed, his aide-de-camp,  
and we understand the visit was  
an unofficial one.

Governor General Wood accom-  
panied by Mrs. Wood and his Staff,  
is passing through the Colony on  
the s.s. President Madison, on his  
way to the United States on leave.

The President Madison, which  
was delayed in answering the dis-  
tress call of the Ganges Maru, ar-  
rived at eleven o'clock last night,  
and anchored at Kowloon Bay  
until daylight. She sails to-  
morrow morning.

## EXASPERATED.

ARTIST AND 'PLANES.

London, April 26.  
"I became half mad when those  
things came over the house. I did  
not want to hit anyone and fired  
behind the plane. What can one  
do to keep them away?" said  
Trelawney Reed, the Bournemouth  
Farmer-artist, when charged with  
attempting to wound Squadron-  
Leader Longton, and damaging  
property.

In the police court to-day, the  
prosecuting counsel said that Reed  
had previously complained to the  
police that 'planes during the  
August meeting flew over his  
house, upsetting his mother and  
frightening the cattle.

Farm labourers gave evidence  
that Reed watched two planes  
pass and then picked up a gun,  
borrowed cartridges, and fired at  
the third machine.

Reed was committed for trial.

Believed to be the oldest coroner  
in England, Mr. John Graham, of  
Sunderland, has returned to his  
official duties in the Chester Ward  
of Durham County after an extend-  
ed holiday. Although 93, he ex-  
hibits the vigour of a man much  
younger. He was elected in 1873  
to the coroner-ship of the Chester  
Ward by a vote of the freeholders,  
and has discharged the duties  
ever since.

## HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW?

The following are answers to  
to-day's questions.

1. Kings Louis XVI and XVIII, of France.  
2. Horatius Nihilus, from trumpeting down  
grass in a former wild state. 3. Their func-  
tion is unknown; they are probably rudimen-  
tary gills. 4. The penguin. 5. When Buechan-  
son's "Rocky" was first run over the Chat-  
son's "Rocky" in 1880, and Mr. Huskisson,  
M.P. for Liverpool, was killed. 6. The love-  
apple. 7. About a penny three farthings. 8.  
That is about 12 gulls. 9. The point of illu-  
mination at which, when mixed with gunpowder,  
the latter can still be fired. 10. From the  
German "Knack"-beech. The first books were  
made of thin sheets of beech wood. 11. When  
it is heated it rises, creating a vacuum.  
This is filled by air from neighbouring districts  
rushing in to take its place. 12. Eighteen. 13.  
The tobacco of Louisiana, which, when grown,  
is packed in 14. From the Vinci's picture of  
"The Last Supper," in which the salt cellar is  
front of Judas is upset. 15. In Norfolk.

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After being blind for 12 years  
James Donaldson, of London, 77  
years old, suddenly recovered his  
sight. The first person he saw  
was his son, whom he did not re-  
cognize because he had grown  
bald. Twelve years ago while  
Donaldson was out walking every-  
thing "suddenly went black." His  
sight returned the other day just  
as suddenly and unaccountably as  
it had vanished.

What promises to be a forerun-  
ner of commercial aviation in  
Hawaii is the establishment of an  
aeroplane service for visitors to  
the territory who desire to see the  
islands from the air. A local  
transportation company is now  
running regular flights over the  
island of Oahu (city and county  
of Honolulu). Trips have also  
been made to other islands of the  
group.

An Indian railway official  
ply to a telegram asking for  
full weather report when the  
retary of State for Air was  
India was quoted by Sir Sa-  
Hoare in a lecture before  
Royal Meteorological Society  
his recent flight to the East  
reply ran, "Weather con-  
excellent, everything up to  
of express just passed through  
hours late."